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BERLIN NEWS STORY CHARGES SENATOR STONE WITH PLOT TO FOMENT STRIKES

Declared Organization was Founded in Washington New Year's Day with Capital of 250,000,000 Marks to Cause Strikes in Enemy Countries--Stone Declares Statement is Perfectly Absurd.

By Associated Press.

London, Feb. 2.—Berlin despatches detailing an alleged Anglo-American plot to foment revolution in the Central powers are published in Cologne newspapers, according to an Exchange Telegraph Amsterdam despatch. It is said that in Washington New Year's day 250,000,000 marks were subscribed for this purpose. Revolutions were to be organized in Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria. The organization was to be under the leadership of Senator Stone, Earl Reading and Viscount Northcliffe. German-speaking orators would go into Germany to incite strikes.

Stone Said "Ridiculous."

Washington, Feb. 2.—Senator Stone said that the report that he was concerned in an organization to foment strikes in Germany were "perfectly absurd." Mr. Stone said: "The reports might have been circulated in Germany to head off unrest and strikes now going on." The circulation in enemy countries of President Wilson's address, might contribute to the rumors, it was suggested by Mr. Stone.

Rioting in Spandau.

London, Feb. 2.—Serious rioting Thursday in Spandau, where important German war industries are located, is reported. Soldiers were attacked by a mob.

Four thousand men employed by the harbor works are on strike, according to the Amsterdam despatch. The strikers cut the railway leading to one of the factories. At Stemenstadt, a suburb of Spandau, tramcars were overturned. The mob stormed the bakery, forcing the proprietor to distribute bread without bread cards.

Successful British Raid.

London, Feb. 2.—The British successfully carried out a raid last night southeast of Armentieres, says today's statement, which also records that they repulsed an enemy raid.

Socialist Dittmann Arrested.

Amsterdam, Feb. 2.—Berlin papers say that Wilhelm Dittmann, socialist member of the Reichstag, was arrested when he attempted to address a crowd in the suburbs of Berlin.

National Protest Organized.

London, Feb. 2.—A national demonstration is being organized in Germany as a protest against the arrest of Herr Dittmann, according to an Amsterdam despatch. Chancellor von Hertling, when appealed to, said he was powerless, as Berlin was in the hands of the military.

Must Return to Work.

London, Feb. 2.—Seven Berlin factories have been placed under martial law and the workers ordered to resume work by 7 o'clock Monday morning at the latest. According to a Central News Amsterdam despatch, failure to return is punishable according to military discipline.

WILL TAKE OVER U.S. FUEL INDUSTRIES

PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION TO BE ISSUED SOON PLACING INDUSTRY UNDER GARFIELD.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The government took the last step today toward taking over the fuel industry. The president's proclamation, to be issued soon, will place the industry under the fuel administration and it will be conducted under license.

To Report Railroad Bill.

Washington, Feb. 2.—An agreement has been reached to report favorably Monday the administration railroad bill by the senate interstate commerce committee, which decided that government control should terminate 18 months after the war and gives the president power to initiate rates subject to appeal to the interstate commerce commission.

Marsh Slated for Chief.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Major General Peyton G. Marsh is slated to become acting chief of staff of the army if General Pershing can spare him from his present duty as chief of artillery of the expeditionary forces. No reply has been received from Gen. Pershing.

NOW "LIBERTY" MEASLES.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Feb. 2.—At a United States camp a light type of measles usually called "German measles" raised the camp medical record, and the name of "Liberty measles" was substituted, so it is now a patriotic disease. The ailment is rapidly disappearing from the camp, although previously cases were not unknown.

USES MAILED FIST AT HOME.

Special to The Times.

Amsterdam, Feb. 2.—The "mailed fist" reached out in Germany today to crush the spreading industrial and political revolt of the masses. All public meetings have been prohibited by the government, according to word from Berlin this afternoon. The state of siege, as martial law is called in Germany, which has been introduced in the chief industrial districts, is being tightened. Berlin's streets are said to swarm with troops ordered to fire indiscriminately upon the crowds if disorder occurs.

GERMAN AMERICANS ACT.

Special to The Times.

New York, Feb. 2.—The friends of German Democracy, which organization is composed of patriotic American citizens of Teutonic blood, has issued the following address, signed by President Franz Sigel and other officers: "We urge all Americans of German extraction to assert themselves on the side of democracy in this conflict. Our society will use every means to reach the German people and make the real war issues known. We believe a majority of the German people, if properly informed regarding their own government, would not wait to final death but would rise against the kaiser and the Junkers and establish a democratic government. With such a government America and the allies can and will make peace. We seek to arouse the German people to their duty and their opportunity. We know our action will prove a blessing, both here and in Germany. We hope to see the war end by bringing an earlier victory for the forces of freedom."

EL PASO MEXICAN IS HURLED IN THE AIR

AFTER QUADRUPLE KILLING RESIDENCE WAS DYNAMITED AND MURDERER WAS KILLED.

By Associated Press.

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 2.—Felipe Alvarez, who late last night dangerously wounded Mrs. Trinidad Lucero, killed her two children and killed a policeman and a civilian who sought to capture him, was dislodged from the house where he had barricaded himself this morning by a charge of dynamite. Four charges were exploded before the building was wrecked and Alvarez' body was hurled high in the air.

FORMER CHAMPION DEAD.

By Associated Press.

Abigdon, Mass., Feb. 2.—John L. Sullivan, former world's heavyweight champion boxer, died at his home here today. Heart trouble was the cause of Sullivan's death.

AVIATOR STUDENTS LOST.

By Associated Press.

Macon, Ga., Feb. 2.—Four students of the balloon school at Camp Wheeler who ascended Friday morning have not been heard from since. They traveled in a southeasterly direction after ascending. The theory is advanced that they are marooned in a swamp.

OVERTHREW UKRANIANS.

Special to The Times.

Copenhagen, Feb. 2.—The Ukranian government at Kiev has been overthrown by the Bolsheviki and some of its members have been arrested, said a despatch from Petrograd today. Others fled to Kishiniev, seeking the protection of Rumanian troops. The overturn of the Rada as the Ukranian government was known, will break the efforts of the Ukranians to effect a separate peace with the Central empires, the Bolsheviki at Petrograd were quoted as saying.

NEW TYPE SUBMARINE.

Special to The Times.

Kashington, Feb. 2.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels told the house naval affairs committee about the production of new type submarine craft in quantities in a large automobile factory. The new vessel combines the merits of destroyers and cruisers. It is speedier, but the knots it makes were not disclosed. The standardized parts are fabricated in the factory and sent for assembling to ports. A large number of these craft will be ready soon, supplementing present destroyers and chasers.

BIRTHDAY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE LEAGUE.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—The National Defense League, which has played a rather conspicuous part in the events of the past few years, celebrates its fifth birthday anniversary today. The league was founded at a meeting held in this city February 2, 1913. In the announcement of its aims the league declared its intention to "strive to strenthen all forces which would make the country better prepared for military and naval emergencies." It was further stated that the league abhors war and believes in universal peace but firmly believes that preparation for national defense is the best guarantee of peace.

The first members of the league were Representatives Julius Kahn and Joseph R. Knowland of California, and Senators John R. Thornton and Robert F. Broussard of Louisiana.

THIS IS GROUNDHOG DAY.

This is the day of His Barometric Majesty, Emperor of the Marmots, His Serene Cautiousness Arctomys Monax, the King of the Woodchucks, who in civil life is known as the Groundhog. If he comes out of his hole, and the soothsaying little beast is supposed to come out of his hole on Candlemas day, and this Candlemas day, he will either stay out for a while or go right back. If the sun is shining and he sees his own shadow that will mean six weeks more of winter. If it is gloom and the sky is overcast, he will linger on the surface, for that will mean, so also runs the lore, that winter is over and that taps can be pounded for K. Boreas.

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From Friday's Daily.

SOCIALISM AND EFFICIENCY.

The Saturday Evening Post in a recent editorial calls attention to the fact that the present indication in Europe—even in the United States—which has resulted in the extension of the powers of government to the complete control of all manufacturing, transportation and other facilities is not really socialism. It has not resulted in any further management by the workers themselves than the old system; it is simply a condensation of rule in the hands of one or two people, and it is not primarily for the good of the worker save as the defense of the country is good for all.

Especially in this the case with the railroads. The roads are now in the hands of the government, but it is merely because their owners could not, under existing laws, run them as efficiently and as effectively as the government is doing.

One trouble with this was because the government did not direct the railroads, nor would it permit the owners of the roads to direct them efficiently. Certain rules and regulations prohibited the roads from issuing more than a certain amount of stock or bonds, and when the roads asked for an increase in rates to meet the demands of their workers for increased pay, they were refused.

The enormous power that is put into the hands of a few men in the world is far greater than that ever held by Caesar or Charlemagne or Wilhelm II. But it is not given to these men for their own aggrandizement, any more than it is done for the sake of giving the workers a greater share in the profits of the business.

It is merely, as Mr. Lorimer puts it, a different form of the capitalistic system seeking dividends in military efficiency, instead of in wealth in some form or other. It pays out money lavishly for the one object of increasing the military power of the state, and its only idea of economy is to economize time and increase production.

For this reason, those who look upon the present concentration of all control in the hands of the government as forecasting government ownership or control of all utilities when the war is ended have little to go on to prove their tehories.

Rather does it tend to prove that the old system, while it had its faults, is a better system than any that has been advanced by the socialists. Under the present evolution of the capitalistic system, there is increased efficiency, economy in production and more able handling of all utilities and industries, for what? Merely that the government may increase its military power so long as it is needed, and then may return the properties to those who own them.

Of course, it is certain that the railroads, before they are ever returned to the directors, will be made to observe certain rules and regulations which will be as stringent, perhaps, as some of those to which they have objected in the past. But other restrictions will no doubt be removed, for the experience of the government will have taught the administration that the railroads must not be prevented from carrying out proposed reforms and changes if they are to remain as efficient under private management as they are proving under government management.

It is necessary for the government to control all means of transportation, as well the steamers and sailing vessels as the railroads. It may yet be necessary for the great interurban system of the country to also come under government control.

It is necessary that the work of directing all industries be co-ordinated in war time, but it can readily be seen that the government cannot work always at high pressure, and that the industries must be directed by those who have made them possible, developed them to a pitch where they are valuable to the country and kept them running.

But the outlook for socialism is no better than it was before the war began. The only real socialism now in control is in Russia, and all can see where that has led.

KILLING THE GOOSE.

Everyone remembers the fable of the man who killed the goose that laid the golden eggs, and all are agreed that he was the most foolish person who ever lived. That is, all save a few who have lately been astonished at the foolishness of Laredo merchants who are deliberately killing the trade which lays the golden eggs for them.

Some people are never satisfied unless they are getting all that is coming to them, and some day the sheriff will give them the last friendly hand when he tacks the notice of their forced sale on the door.

In the various stores of Laredo there is such a wide divergence in the prices charged for staples that one is forced to the conclusion that either some folks are going to be ruined by their altruism and philanthropy, or else others are robbing their customers.

For intsance, how is it possible that one man can sell the same dairy butter, which is almost as standard in price as gold dollars, for 55c, while his neighbor sells it for 60c? And if one man charges 20c for a can of an advertised brand of salmon, how can another ask 25c for the same article?

We are being urged by the food administration, the department of agriculture and the bureau of fisheries to eat more fish and oysters. We are told that oysters and fish are the only things that have not advanced in price during the past few years, which makes the average consumer give a sardonic grin. It is true that one can still get a dozen oysters—of somewhat inferior quality, as compared with those of former years—for 10c, but when it comes to fish—Wow!

It may be that the local dealers are correct in their contention that they are making but a small margin of profit, but it seems queer that an 8 or 9-pound red snapper can be bought in Chicago for $1 while here it costs $2, or 25c a pound.

And other fish are selling in proportion, while all the time the government bureaus are boasting of the cheapness of sable fish, tile fish and other varieties which are selling as low as 8 or 9 cents a pound some 2,000 miles from the fishing ports, and Corpus Christi is only 150 miles from Laredo, with a daily express train direct from the wharves to the Laredo depot.

It is certain that the fishermen are now receiving no more for their labor than in the past, and if it is true that the fish dealers in Corpus Christi are charging an exorbitant wholesale price for their prouct, it should mean an investigation by the state of Texas or the federal government.

But a few years ago the writer was buying fish in New Orleans, Pensacola and Galveston at prices which made meat seem like the diet of a Croesus. But meat at even 25c a pound is cheaper than fish at the same price, when one considers that the head, scales, fins, skin and all other waste is weighed and charged for by the dealer.

It is stated by several who claim to know that red snapper is selling in Corpus Christi at retail for 12 cents a pound. If that is true, there is no reason why Laredo people should pay 25c.

The local oyster dealers are making a smaller profit than ever before on oysters by the dozen or hundred, for their prices to the local consumer have not advanced, while the wholesale price has advanced from 25 to 40 per cent.

As between ham at 50c, beefsteak at 25c, fish at 25c and even liver at 20c a pound, one is confronted with a dilemma and almost forced to turn vegeterian. It is becoming more costly to live than to die, and even the high price of silver casket handles does not interpose an obstacle to the latter alternative.

If the various government bureaus want us to abstain from meat on two days in the week, they should see to it that the substitutes do not cost more than the meat.

President Wilson, in a letter to the farmers, said the issue of the war must be decided one way or the other this year. Not necessarily, dear President, for if we should be defeated this year every man, woman and child of true American citizenship would fight until annihilated before accepting Prussian domination. Still, the war ought to be won this year, and we believe that by a long, strong pull it can be.

While the Italians are steadily driving the Austrians back and are daily advancing their lines, Berlin says "the enemy was defeated and the Italian prisoners now amount to 600!" That is the sort of tactics we must meet; not so much accomplishment as false reports.

Berlin says the air raid on Paris was in the nature of a reprisal. That's what the fox says when he kills a goose. Reprisal for having been in the way of a drive on the British channel, we presume.

NOTABLE BIRTHDAY TODAY.

FEBRUARY 1.

Maddin Summers, whose position as United States consul-geneal in Moscow is one of more than ordinary importance and responsibilities in view of the existing conlitions in Russia, is 41 years old today. Mr. Summers is a Tennessee man, educated at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, and at Columbian University, Washington, D. C. He entered the consular service as a clerk in 1899, and has steadily risen to high places of responsibility. Besides being vice-consul or consul in cities as widely separated as Barcelona, Madrid, La Paz, Belgrade and Santos, he has done special duty for the State Department at the second Pan-American Congress held in Mexico City in 1901; in Madrid in collecting evidence for the Spanish treaty claims commission, and in Washington as acting chief for the bureau of South American affairs. He was appointed to his post at Moscow a year ago when a special effort was being made to extend trade between Russia and the United States.

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AN IDLE DOLLAR IS KAISER'S ALLY

WAR SAVINGS STAMPS ARE TWO-FOLD—TEACH THRIFT AND HELP NATION TO SUPPLY HER NEED.

Mr. Frank Vanderlip, Chairman of the War Savings Committee, said in his Dallas address: "There are just three things you can do with a dollar: you can hoard it; you can spend it, or you can invest it. Now a hoarded dollar is a slacker dollar and it is not doing anything, but a dollar that is spent foolishly is the dollar that means you are competing with the Government for labor and material—it is a traitor dollar; it is the ally of Germany. There is nothing the Kaiser would like better than to see us going on with pleasure as usual; with comfort and luxury as usual; he would see us go on, demanding the things that prosperity has lead us to think we want, to think that we can afford. We must wake up to the fact that the nation cannot afford to permit us to do the things that we have been able to do. We hear a lot of talk about a united nation, but we must have a united nation, united to the point of sacrifice, trained to self discipline and to see that democracy does not mean a Government in which we play no part. We are beginning to understand that we have a personal responsibility, every man, every woman, and every child, to help win the war. Now what are these War Savings Stamps You have seen them in the windows; you have read something about them. They are little things; they cost a quarter, or $4.12, and we expect to raise $2,000,000,000 from them—the greatest financial transaction ever carried through in this country. Now what is back of it? One thing is that we are going to teach thrift to the whole nation and to a nation that needs it terribly. We are going to have 30,000,000 stock-holders in the United States. If we are really to teach thrift, really build up character so that it will stand self-discipline make men and women and boys and girls ready to forego the thing of the moment that they may desire so that they may have something of greater value in the future, stimulate industry, encourage those old homely virtues, the virtues by which is to be measured the strength of the nation, then I believe we shall have gone a long way toward compensating us for the money cost of the war."

ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR PRIZE FOR THE BEST ESSAY ON THRIFT.

Louis Lipsitz, State Director, War Savings Committee, will give on April 15th, 1918, a War Savings Certificate of $100.00 for the best essay on Thrift written by any child in school in Texas. Mr. Lipsitz says: "In nearly every county the County Chairmen of War Savings are giving prizes for the best essay written by any school child in Texas, and the essays which take the county prize will compete for the state prize. I am extremely anxious that the 1,200,000 school children learn the basic lesson of thrift and economy. If this can be accomplished, it means the solution of the present economic difficulties of our nation. If thrift is studied and practiced, the great demand for goods and service for running the war will be easily met, so I expect that school children will study thrift and practice it. The County Chairmen will give their prize, select the best essay in the county and send it to me in a letter by April 1st, and of the prize essays from each of the 258 counties, I will have a committee to select the best one, which will receive the $100 prize. I suggest that these essays be not longer than 500 words—that the age of the child be indicated; that they be written in ink, on one side of the paper, by the child competing, with a signed statement that the child received no help in composing the essay, that is, I want it to be the result of the original thought of the child after he or she has studied thoroughly the literature that is obtainable everywhere on the general subject of thrift."

THRIFT STAMPS FOR TIPS.

In all of the hotels and restaurants in Texas a new plan is being inaugurated by Jesse Johnson, one of the Captains in Dallas, working continuously on the sale of War Savings and Thrift Stamps. Mr. Johnson says: "Instead of giving a Pullman porter or waiter a quarter, the thing to do is to say 'have you a thrift card'? If he has, give him a thrift stamp instead of a quarter, and if not, give him a card with a stamp on it. This starts him in the War Savings idea and impresses him with the necessity for co-operation on the part of every person, regardless of wealth or station."

BARGAINS IN STAMPS.

Mr. Frank A. Vanderlip, formerly President of the National City Bank of New York City, and now Chairman of the National War Savings Committee, said in his speech in Dallas on December 16th: "This is the first time in history when the United States Government ever offered anything at bargain prices," and explained that the plan of the Government in selling War Savings Stamps reads like an Oklohoma Oil Well advertisement,—the selling price of a $5.00 stamp being $4.12 in January, $4.13 in February and the price raised one cent per month all during the year. "This should especially appeal to the women," said Mr. Vanderlip, "and cause them to buy now rather than put it off because they cost more as the months go by."

$5.00 BILLS SELLING AT $4.12.

"The United States Government is selling $5.00 War Savings Stamps at $4.12 in January, $4.13 in February, raising the price one cent per month throughout the year," said Louis Lipsitz, State Director of the War Savings Committee, "and I want to impress the fact that a $5.00 bill today will not buy as much or as many of the pleasures of life for which we save money as will a War Savings Stamp when it matures January 1st, 1923. The war cannot be fought with paper money; we cannot wad up a $5.00 bill and shoot it at the Kaiser and do any damage; that bill is merely a demand for wheat, or wool, or gasoline, or some other material which our Government actually needs to successfully win the war, so the wise thing for us to do is not to spend money now but loan it to our Government, get 4% interest compounded quarterly for it, and then five years from now, the Government will cash the stamp and we will have the money to spend—then it will buy more of the things which we want than it will today so that we can spend later. It is not only good sense but it is patriotic as well to buy War Savings Stamps."

A NOVEL SCHEME SUGGESTED.

R. H. Alexander, County Chairman for Coleman County on War Savings work, has put in practice a new scheme to interest school children on the subject of War Savings Stamps. Mr. Louis Lipsitz, State Director, says: "I endorse Mr. Alexander's idea and suggest that in every school a picture of the Kaiser be drawn and put up in the school room. Every child who buys a 25-cent Thrift Stamp is entitled to stick a pin in the Kaiser's picture and this will be a demonstration of the activity of school children in blotting out Kaiserism and autocracy and showing in a graphic way that the 25-cent piece saved and loaned to the Government in the purchase of a Thrift Stamp is going to help to save the child from autocracy and poverty."

SAVE THE CHILD FROM AUTOCRACY AND POVERTY.

This is the new slogan of the War Savings Committee engaged in selling $91,000,000 of War Savings Stamps in Texas. The Federal Government wants every man, woman and child to save and invest their savings in stamps. These stamps mature January 1st, 1923, and earn an interest rate of 4% compounded quarterly. This is not only the best investment possible in war times, but also as President Wilson has said, "Is intended to correct our unpardonable habits of waste and extravagance." The great thing to be accomplished is to preach thrift from every pulpit, teach it in every school and practice it in the home. This is war work in which all may join; it not only helps win the war which saves our children from autocracy but it saves them from poverty as well.

ENGLAND SAVES $650,000,000 A YEAR.

The working people of Great Britain are doing their utmost to help win the war by denying themselves every luxury and loaning the money saved to their Government. The English plan of War Savings Stamps is very much like ours. In the past eighteen months the English people have not only bought $650,000,000 worth of stamps, but the new spirit of thrift has caused savings bank deposits to increase over 100%. There are great signs up all over England, reading, "It is not good form to dress extravagantly," and a woman or man who appears on the street whose dress indicates extravagance, is not only subject to criticism, but in many cases have been attacked and beaten.

WAR SAVINGS SCHEMES.

In Amarillo, each boy who pledges himself to buy Thrift Stamps, receives a poster to hang up in his window, reading, "Thrift boy here, I am working for Uncle Sam,"—then he gets a card signed by Mr. Mayer, Chairman of the Potter County Division which shows he is a member of the army of boys in Amarillo who are ready and anxious to work; who need everything they can get to do and who have promised to save that money for Uncle Sam.

Abe Sobel, a twelve-year-old newsboy at Beaumont, Tex., won the $5.00 prize offered by County Chairman Jas. F. Weed, in the Thrift Contest there last week. In five days he earned $3.79. The only requirement stipulated in Mr. Weed's prize who won must earn the money and submit a statement showing how he earned it. Abe was the first boy to turn in his results, and as a consequence, he now owns two Government securities that in 1923 will be worth $10.00.

LAREDO LOSES PROMINENT CITIZEN IN THE DEATH OF JAMES J. HAYNES

Was Native of Rio Grande City and Spent Most of Life on Texas Border; Was Collector of Customs for Fifteen Years; in Service Government Many Years.

A gloom of sorrow was cast over this entire community yesterday afternoon when the sad news rapidly gained circulation chronicling the fact that James J. Haynes had succumbed to the attack of pneumonia which had confined him to his bed just one week. This intelligence caused more genuine sorrow in Laredo than has been experienced in many a year, for Mr. Haynes was one of the most highly esteemed citizens and prominent business men of this section of the state, in fact all of Texas, for he was one of the native sons of old Texas and spent all of the more than 64 years of his life within the confines of the state and held many positions of trust imposed on him by the federal government, and was never found lacking. For thirty-seven years he had made his home here in Laredo, and during that time he made enduring friendships among the best of Laredo's people, while to all James J. Haynes was the same courteous, pleasant gentleman no matter where one met him, while in his official capacities he added dignity to the place and was always willing and ready to accommodate those with whom he had business transactions.

Deceased was recognized as one of the stalwart Republicans of Texas and when his party needed his help, James J. Haynes could always be depended on to do his duty, for his father before him was one of the leading Republicans of Texas when the state was in its infancy, and he remained trut to that affiliation. But he did not seek to impose his political belief on all his friends, for there are thousands of the staunchest Democrats of this state who held him in the highest regard, and to whom the ntws of his death will come laden with grief. The Texas border country knew James J. Haynes best, and he in turn knew every byway, turn and hamlet in the country along the Rio Grande from Laredo to the extreme mouth of that stream at Point Isabebl. To him most of the older inhabitants were personally known, for in boyhood, and later in line of duty, he had traveled along the contours of that stream on the back of a Texas pony or on the seat of a rickety wagon. Thus he had an opportunity to personally acquaint himself with the topography of the lower Rio Grande country and meet and get acquainted with the men who in other days formed the vanguard of the present generation of people who form the population of South Texas. As a young man in 1874 he came to this section, as commercial agent at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, and in 1881 he was transferred to this city, and during all these forty-four years he had made his home in this immediate section, gathering about him friends who were proud to claim his friendship and acquaintance. And to these his death has come as an irreparable loss.

James J. Haynes was born in Rio Grande City, Starr county, Texas, in the lower Rio Grande country, on July 22, 1853, his parents being John L. Haynes and Angelica Wells Haynes. The father, John L. Haynes, during the civil war donned the union blue and was colonel of the First Texas Cavalry of Volunteers, and later he became a prominent figure in Texas politics following the civil war. The subject of this sketch, James J. Haynes, was reared to young manhood principally in Austin, where he attended school and attained the rudiments of his education and later attended higher institutions of learning until he reached his eighteeth year, when he went to Brownsville and entered the federal service as inspector of customs of that port, this being in the year 1872. In 1873 he was appointed as commercial agent of the United States at Mier, Mexico, opposite his native city, and in the following year he came to Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, opposite this city, as commercial agent of the federal government, which position he retained until 1881, when the office was made a consulate. During that year he removed to this city, which he made his home up to the time of his death. Deceased was familiar with all the stirring events of the early days on the Texas frontier, and particularly in the country between Laredo and Brownsville, and he was conversant on all the happenings, including the exploits of Cortina back in the early '50s, the Garza revolution in 1890, the various Mexican troubles since then; in fact he was a veritable encyclopedia when consulted regarding events that transpired in the yesteryears of the history of Texas from shortly after his birth up to the time he closed his eyes in eternal slumber. He was an interesting talker on these historical events, and he could begin with the story of the march of General Taylor and his army to Mexico in 1845 (told to him by his father) transcend on through the years up to the time he was old enough to observe and appreciate what was happening, up to the last events of the past year along the Rio Grande frontier.

After his removal to Laredo in 1881 he acted in the capacity of United States commissioner for about two years, following which he embarked in business for himself as a customs broker. In 1898 he was appointed collector of customs for the Corpus Christi district by the late President McKinley, and when President Roosevelt succeeded the martyred McKinley in the executive office Mr. Haynes was perpetuated in the office by President Roosevelt and President Taft, holding the office up to 1913, (a total of fifteen years) when the Democratic administration put Collector Frank Rabb in the place of Mr. Haynes as collector of the then Laredo customs district. Deceased then resumed his old business as a customs broker, which he continued up to the time of his death, enjoying a lucrative patronage from patrons of the local customshouse in transactions through the Nuevo Laredo customshouse.

He was married in this city a number of years ago to Miss Angela M. Arizola of San Antonio, who survives him. He also leaves two brothers, Leonard Haynes, a prominent ranchman, and Robert A. Haynes, immigration inspector, both of this city, all of whom have the sympathy of their many friends in the sad loss which has bereft them of a loving husband and affectionate brother.

Deceased was a member of the Elks Lodge of this city, and this organization will attend the funeral in a body, the funeral taking place from the Episcopal church this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, with interment in the Elks plot in the city cemetery. The pallbearers announced for the funeral are the following: Active—R. K. Mims, Justo S. Penn, H. H. Jefferies, Jesse Cobb, W. P. May and P. P. Leyendecker. Honorary: M. T. Cogley, C. G. Brewster, G. C. Woodman, Shelby Theriot, Francisco Alegria, Francisco Vizcaya, A. M. Bruni, D. Sanchez, John A. Valls, J. F. Mullally, A. C. Richter, L. J. Christen, W. N. Young, Albert Urbahn, E. Denike, S. V. Edwards, Thos. O'Connor, Col. H. T. Ferguson and Marshall Hicks.

Messages of Condolence.

Among the many messages of condolence received on the death of Mr. Haynes was one from Congressman-at-Large Jeff: McLemore, as follows: "I am truly grieved to hear of the death of my old friend, Colonel James J. Haynes, and I hope you will tender my sincerest sympathy to his family.

JEFF: McLEMORE."

Chamberlain's Tablets.

These Tablets are intended especially for disorders of the stomach, liver and bowels. If you are troubled with heartburn, indigestion or constipation they will do you good. **

LAREDO MAKES GOOD RECENT PLEDGE TO WAR DEPARTMENT

ANTI-VICE CRUSADE IN THIS CITY ACCOMPLISHES RESULTS.

Public Officers Acting Promptly Upon Suggestion of War Department Made Laredo a Clean City.

The citizens have cause to be proud of the splendid work done by the police department in stamping out commercialized vice in the city. A few months ago the War Department requested our public officers that a campaign to "clean up" be inaugurated. By one sweeping order all disreputable houses were closed, but there still remained the aggravating problem of getting rid of the inmates, the presence of whom would only tend to make the situation worse instead of better.

This phase of the problem was taken up by the police department, the business men of the city through the Chamber of Commerce, giving their hearty endorsement of the movement. Mayor McComb and Marshal Brennan co-operated in the law enforcement campaign and a great number of arrests, prosecutions and convictions followed. The City Marshal detailed special police to this work, among whom was Abel Cantu, who worked faithfully and to such good effect as to justify the confidence that was placed in him by his superior officer and who aided in bringing great credit to the Laredo Police Department.

Laredo is now a clean city. More than 300 women of evil character have been driven from the city and a clean environment has been created, not only for the U. S. troops who are quartered here, but for our own citizenship as well. The pledges given to the War Department have been redeemed; but there is to be no abandonment of the work that has been thus far conducted so successfully.

Expressions of appreciation of the work done in Laredo have been received from Major-General J. W. Ruckman at San Antonio, from Washington and from other sources. The U. S. Department of Justice, the District Attorney, the Mayor and the police department and the military authorities at Fort McIntosh have all worked in harmony and the business men of the city, through the Chamber of Commerce have stood solidly with the public officers throughout this campaign, which has brought credit to Laredo.

At some of the other army camps there have been complaints against police officers and other public officials, but when the call from Washington came, Laredo needed no urging nor public indignation meetings. Our public officers went to work quietly and methodically and accomplished results. Laredo has never yet heard a call from the War Department to which she failed to respond.

GIRL'S STATEMENT WILL HELP LAREDO.

Here is the girl's own story: "For years I had dyspepsia, sour stomach and constipation. I drank hot water and olive oil by the gallon. Nothing helped until I tried buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as mixed in Adler-i-ka. ONE SPOONFUL helped me INSTANTLY." Because Adler-i-ka flushes the ENTIRE alimentary tract it relieves ANY CASE constipation, sour stomach or gas and prevents appendicitis. It has QUICKEST action of anything we ever sold. The City Drug Co. *

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Where Movie Shopping s a Reel Pleasure.
Today's Program:

Vivian Martin in "THE FAIR BARBARIAN." See charming Vivian Martin in this delightful story of the American girl in England but the Land of the Free.

Also Wm. S. Hart in "JIM GRIGGS' DECISION," a typical Hart picture filled with wondrous pictures of the Great West.

Prices: Children 5c, balcony 10c, lower floor 15c.

Tomorrow: Chester Conkling in his latest comedy, "HIS HIDDEN PURPOSE," in two parts.

From Thursday's Daily.

TELLS HORRIFYING STORY OF EVENTS ON BATTLEFIELD

FRENCH SOLDIERS CHEWED FLESH OF DEAD COMRADES.

Then in Hand-to-Hand Fighting With Germans the French Went After Adversaries in Bulldog Manner.

Charles Tannenbaum of this city is in receipt of a letter from Sergeant William F. May of the 48th Infantry stationed at Camp Hill, Newport News, Va., in which he tells of the arrival at that place of a large number of New Zealanders from the battlefields of France and relates the folliwing horrifying story told by some of the men: "There have been several transport loads of New Zealand soldiers who have arrived here on their way home from France and they seem to think that the war will last several years yet. Some have one leg off, some both legs off, some one arm, others both arms and quite a few of them have been wounded several times. Those New Zealanders say that the fighting was so intense at the battle of Verdun that the French had to cut pieces of flesh off the dead bodies lying about them and chew it up to get the juice out of it and then spit it out. Also that there was such enmity between the French and Germans that often in hand-to-hand fighting the Frenchman would kill the German by the bulldog method of cutting his jugular vein with his teeth, and that often they would find both dead side by side. Then they would have a hard time prying the Frenchman's teeth loose, for he died with a death grip on his adversary.

Continuing further, Sergeant May says: "I received a letter from one of the old Ninth Infantry boys the other day and they are soon to go on the firing line. They all seem to like it fine, but say that it is quite cold 'over there.' Captain Loeb, whom you all know, is now Lieut. Colonel Loeb. I am with the 48th Infantry now and I guess that the kaiser will not have a chance to shoot at me for some time, as the 48th is scheduled to do home guard here in Newport News."

Sergeant May is well known in Laredo, where he was a member of the old Ninth Infantry.

THE LAST DAY HAS ARRIVED FOR ISSUANCE POLL TAXIS

RUSH IS ON AT OFFICES OF CITY AND COUNTY TAX COLLECTORS

Indications Are That There Will Be Big Increase in Payments This Year Over That of Year 1916.

With a genuine rush in evidence at the eleventh hour, the offices of the city and county tax collectors are today busy places with the numerous persons awaiting their turn to get poll tax receipts in order to be enabled to cast their votes in any elections to be held in Laredo and Webb county during the present year.

The rush to pay poll taxes began proper on Monday morning, and since that time both offices have presented animated scenes with the many applicants for poll taxes standing around awaiting an opportunity to get their poll tax receipts. The indications are that the number of poll taxes to be issued in the county this year will be in excess of that of 1916, and this notwithstanding the fact that many young men eligible to vote have answered the call to the colors and can not take out poll taxes.

In order to accimmodate late comers both the city and county tax collectors will keep their offices open until midnight tonight.

CLEVER SMUGGLING STUNT UNEARTHED BY INSPECTOR

Can Supposed to Contain Gasoline Had False Bottom, Upper Part With Water and Lower With Sugar.

A clever smuggling stunt was nipped in the bud at the international footbridge yesterday afternoon when a customs inspector, by making an investigation, discovered the latest smuggling stunt in order to get sugar across to the Mexican side to evade the federal license requirements.

A Mexican driving a wagon, and who has been making frequent trips between the two Laredos, ostensibly for the delivery of ice from this side, and who carried two five-gallon cans supposed to contain gasoline, was stopped and in tapping one of the cans it was discovered that the sound was a peculiar one. A stick was inserted in the can and struck bottom half way down. Then it was found that the can contained a false bottom, with water in the upper compartment and about twenty-five pounds of sugar in the lower compartment. The man driving the wagon said he was hauling the load for another party. The matter is being thoroughly investigated.

Heartburn, indigestion or distress of the stomach is instantly relieved by HERBINE. It forces the badly digested food out of the body and restores tone in the stomach and bowels. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists. x

THE CRISIS IN AUSTRIA.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—The European despatches leave no room for doubt that Austria-Hungary is now in the shadow of a great crisis.

On all sides the question is: "And is this the beginning of the end? Is the great polyglot empire of central Europe, the proudest aristocracy of the century, the bulwark of monarchy, the invulnerable fortress of Catholicism and the stronghold through the ages of the towering house of Hapsburg doomed to go down at last under the onslaught of its own people?"

In the present crisis facing the dual monarchy, the saying of Thucydides is fulfilled that a country of many races always tends toward revolution. Its composite character, even more than the conditions arising from the war, is the secret of the emipre's troubles.

In race, language and religion, the empire is equally complex. Roughly speaking, the inhabitants include about 17,500,000 Slavs of various kinds, embracing Croats, Slavonians, Czechs, Serbs, Poles, etc.; 9,000,000 Germans, 6,000,000 Magyars, several million Wallachs or Roumanians, a million or more Jews, half a million Italians, and minor contingents of Armenians, Bulgars, Greeks, Albanians, Turks and others, each with its own language, literature, manners and customs. Religious creeds also vary. About two-thirds of all are Roman Catholics. Something more than one-half of the Magyars are Evangelical Protestants, while Greek Catholics make up about one-tenth of the whole.

Bohemia appears to be the present storm-center. The Bohemians have long cherished a desire for independence and from all accounts they evidently see in the present crisis an opportunty to get a few steps nearer their goal even if they do not gain it completely.

The Czechs have never entered into the present war with enthusiasm. It is a German-made war and the Czech has no love for the German. While in the minority numerically, the Germans are the dominant race in the Austro-Hungarian empire and they have unceasingly worked to preserve this supremacy by throttling eery attempt of the Czechs, the Magyars and the other elements of the polyglot nation to extend their political influence.

Despite these efforts, the Czech spirit has grown and expended marvelously in recent years. Czech books and newspapers have multiplied. A Czech university was founded at Prague. In 1897, after a long and furious agitation Czech was made the, or an, official language of Bohemia, and the Germans were politically driven to the wall.

For generations the Czecha of Bohemia, the Slovenes of Carniola and the Wends of Carinthia have been thorns in the festering flesh of the Germanized Austrian Government, and countless and far-reaching in their potency have been the concessions these alienated nationlities have wrung from the imperial parliament tending, one and all, to the ultimate independence of self-government of these provinces of the empire. The prerogatives the Austrian Germans enjoyed and exercised one upon a time, prerogatives which secured to them a complete ascendancy over the heterogeneous nationalities in the educational and political life of the country, are now likely to be lost to them irretrievably.

The ruling feudal aristocracy of Bohemia, Marovia, Austrian Silesia and Carniola is antagonistic to German institutions, and as stanch supporters of the Roman Catholic clergy have exerted their influence in the imperial counsels to thwart every attempt made by the German elements to recover their authonomy. The vast majority of the clergy, being of peasant parentage, are Czechs and Slovenes at heart, and have always been loud in denouncing from pulpit and platform every Germanic or Germanizing encreachment.

Has the time arrived when the empire long considered as the keystone in the international arch of the old world is to crumble, destroying in its fall the alliance of the Central Powers? This is the question which the far-seeing men on the Thames, on the Seine, in the Tiber, and on the Potomac are now anxiously pondering over.

THE RED BOOK.

The January number of the "Railroad Red Book" contains the most comprehensive review of the resources and attractions of the Rocky Mountain Region yet issued. It is prefaced by telegrams from the editors of leading daily newspapers, all of which carry an optimistic note with regards to the future.

The environments of the principal communities served by the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad in Colorado, Utah and New Mexico are interestingly set forth. The mining, manufacturing, agricultural and the new shale oil industries are reviewed by persons well versed in their respective lines and the various tourist attractions of the Rockies, such as the National Parks, National Forests, trout streams and highways, are given splendid representation.

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SOCIETY

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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Thursday.

Red Cross Surgical Room will be in charge of Mrs. Horace Hamlin at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Heights Red Cross Knitting Circle will meet with Mrs. T. A. Bunn at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Woman's Club will have a program at the Army Y. M. C. A. in the evening.

Friday.

Thrift Stamp party at former Latin-American club rooms at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon, under auspices of the Woman's Club.

Boy Scout Troop No. 2 will hold their regular meeting in the evening.

Latin-American Club will hold their weekly hop from 8 to 12 o'clock in the evening.

The Maira Club will entertain with a box party at the Strand in the evening.

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Submission? They have preached at that so long,
As though the head bowed down would right the wrong,
As though the folded hand, the coward heart
Were saintly signs of souls sublimely strong;
As though the man who acts the waiting part
And but submits, had little wings a-start.
But may I never reach that anguished plight
Where I at last grow weary of the fight.

Submission: "Wrong of course must ever be
Because it ever was. 'Tis not for me
To seek a change; to strike the maiden blow.
'Tis best to bow the head and not to see;
'Tis best to dream, that we need never know
The truth. To turn our eyes away from woe."
Perhaps. But ah—I pray for keener sight,
And may I not grow weary of the fight!

—Miriam Teichner.

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General Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. Watts of Toronto, Canada, are in the city for a few days, en route to Tampico, Mexico.

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Mrs. Rodger Cook left today for Crystal City to visit relatives.

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Miss Bracken is a visitor in San Antonio this week.

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Mr. J. W. Derby of Monterey is among the visitors in the city this week.

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Mr. Randolph Robertson arrived last night from Monterey for a short stay in the city.

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Red Cross Notes.

The Red Cross Surgical Room was enabled to accomplish a great deal of work yesterday morning and afternoon, owing to the splendid attendance. Two boxes of hospital supplies were finished, packed and shipped by express. The contents were: 1055 gauze rolls, three yards by 4½ inches; 120 gauze rolls, five yards by 4½ inches, making a total of 1175 rolls. The box was valued at $103.

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Entertainment.

The members of the Auction Bridge Club and a number of guests were most delightfully entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. R. L. Muller. After an interesting series of games the high score club prize went to Mrs. M. T. Cogley, who received a lovely fern dish in pottery. The guest prize was awarded Mrs. B. F. Wright, who was given a set of sherbet glasses. A delicious salad course followed the games. Those who enjoyed the hospitality of the afternoon were: Club members—Mesdames E. H. Buenz, J. R. Leyendecker, M. T. Cogley, J. B. Morton, L. J. Christen, J. S. Penn, A. Wormser, E. H. Sauvignet, W. N. Young, Leon Daiches, M. S. Ryan and J. C. Martin. The guests included Mesdames Shelby, Tucker, Greer, Jones, Dwuan and Wilson.

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Thrift Stamp Party.

Preparations for making the Thrift Stamp Party a success tomorrow move on apace. Mrs. Puster and Mrs. Applewhite are in charge of arranging the hall, Mrs. Joseph Netzer is arranging for necessary chairs and tables, Mrs. Slaughter and Mrs. Harry Shelby will look after decorations, Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Asher Smith will be at the door. Mrs. Cohn assisted by Mrs. Buenz and Mrs. McKinney and a bevy of attractive young ladies will serve the simple refreshments planned. The interest shown so far is very gratifying—but that may be taken for granted since Laredo people always answer up to a patriotic appeal.

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PERSONALS

G. A. Welhausen of Encinal is a visitor in the city.

H. H. Jefferies is in the city from his ranch for a short business visit.

J. B. Hazelrigg of San Antonio arrived in the city this morning.

Chsa. H. Stowers left yesterday for San Antonio on a short business visit.

Captain J. J. Sanders and Ranger J. B. Brooks of Alice arrived in the city yesterday and are stopping at the Bender.

Randolph Robertson of Monterey is in the city and is stopping at the Bender.

BENDER:—M. J. Castro, San Antonio; J. F. Argueso, Ney York; John Elridge, Jeff Elridge, Longview; Dr. F. Carroll, Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. C. Burnard, Mr. and Mrs. Bolching, New York; J. G. Masson, Mexico; E. Haneison, San Antonio; C. B. Watts and wife, Toronto, Can.; C. H. Woodson, San Antonio; E. M. Mentor, Dallas; J. J. Sanders, J. B. Brooks, Alice; Chas. M. E. Ora, Chicago; E. F. Sida and wife, Monterey; A. V. Serabio, R. P. Tyarly, New York; Randolph Robertson, Monterey; R. E. Hix, Bartlesville, Okla.; I. Reyniso, Monterey.

HAMILTON:—Antonio Rixas, W. S. Chadwick, A. Fenseller, O. G. Sturce, C. A. Holeman, A. V. Sanders, Miss Nan Young, San Antonio; B. Stevenson, Tampico; Jose Esquivel, Mexico; C. E. Reed, Kenton, O.; W. D. Beougher, Chas. M. Orr, Chicago; D. Head, Durant, Okla.; R. P. Bryarly, Sherman; J. M. Diaz, Santa Fe, N. M.; J. Frank Groman, San Antonio; F. H. Bagley, New York; Jesus Trejo, J. B. Hazelrigg, C. C. Hackenjos, J. E. Atkinson, Jose Ortiz, San Antonio.

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A MILLION MEN IN GERMANY STRIKE AND DEMAND IMMEDIATE NEGOTIATION FOR PEACE

Strike has Spread from Berlin to Outlying Districts and German Munition Factories and Shipbuilding Plants are Seriously Affected—The Men will Listen to Nothing but Question of Peace.

NO TIME SET FOR DRAFT.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 31.—No time has yet been set for the next draft. The president has authority to call an additional million men. Secretary Baker has legislation ready for presentation to congress, but the time has not been set.

THE MERCURY SQUAD.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 31.—The United States training camps now have "mercury squads," a title given athletes chosen for their running ability assigned to special duty to carry messages to imperilled outposts. The idea was brought from Europe by Maor General Scott, who noted that the usual signalling apparatus was sometimes destroyed and communication interrupted.

GIRLS FOR FARM WORK.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Registration of college girls, as well as leisure class and other women available for voluntary farm work next summer, is planned by the department of labor. The chief of the farm service division in announcing plans for the enrollment throughout the country said: "Much female labor is usable and needed."

RATIONS FOR WEALTHY WOMEN.

Special to The Times.

New York, Jan. 31.—A voluntary food rationing program has been adopted by the city's wealthiest women, meeting at the home of Mrs. William Douglas Sloane. More than 300 enrolled for the "honor system," and expect to get 60,000 members. An announcement from the federal food board says that the program is "intended exclusively for housewives whose families are blessed with a large share of this world's goods."

WORK FOR WOMEN.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Mrs. George Lathrop, president of the American Fund for French Wounded, said today: "American women should not go abroad from the United States until sent for. American women are 'willing to do anything,' but without training as nurse, typist, telephone operator or other specialty should be barred. They ought to be willing to work to do their part at home by saving food in all possible ways. A vast field for feminine work is open in this country. Red Cross hospital supplies are vitally needed in France for the next three months. They should take precedence over everything else in anticipation of a German drive this spring."

OUR NEED IS SHIPS.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Edward N. Hurley, chairman of the United States shipping board, in addressing a delegation of "four-minute men," an organization of 40,000, asked for publicity to aid in spreading an understanding of the fact that the nation's war plans rest upon man power and the ability to construct ships in time. The four-minute men agreed to start a fortnight's speaking campaign immediately. Mr. Hurley said: "If Americans understood the necessity for building ships before the war can be won they would subordinate local needs. Not merely the nation's safety depends upon the quick building of ships, but even industry must be disturbed until all shipyards are working at maximum capacity. Within 60 days we require 250,000 skilled mechanics to build ships fast, so that they can carry supplies to our boys in the trenches of France."

Trustee's Sale.

By virtue of authority vested in me under deed of trust, executed Jan. 19, I will on the fifth day of February, between the hours of 10 and 12 a. m., offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash the stock of merchandise and fixtures formerly belonging to Domingo Arredondo, at 1111 Lincoln street in the City of Laredo, consisting of the following merchandise at cost $8,336.83, fixtures $479.75. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. C. S. Dudley, trustee, North Texas Building, Dallas, Texas. 1-31-4t.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 31.—The German strike is still growing in magnitude, the Exchange Telegraph Copenhagen correspondent reports. In Berlin 700,000 persons are on strike, 58,000 of whom are women. A great fog hangs over Berlin, making it impossible for the authorities to prevent the dissemination of pamphlets, the report states.

The strikers have demanded immediate negotiations for a general peace on the basis of no indemnities and no annexations and for several other more liberal measures. Many factories, including munition and shipbuilding plants, are said to be affected.

Berlin's 120,000 Strikers.

Amsterdam, Jan. 31.—The number of strikers in Berlin is estimated at about 120,000, according to a semi-official statement yesterday from Berlin.

Strike is Extending.

Amsterdam, Jan. 31.—The German strike has been extended in districts near Berlin, especially Tegel, Aldershof, Spandau and Mariendorf, where 500,000 men have quit work. A similar number of workingmen are striking in the remainder of the empire.

Italian Attacks Failed.

Berlin, Jan. 31.—Italian attacks yesterday on the northern front broke down under German fire, the war office says. The Teutons in recent fighting increased the number of prisoners to 600.

British Front Quiet.

London, Jan. 21.—The British front is quiet with the exception of some hostile artillery activity south and north of Lens and a British patrol raid which resulted in the capture of some prisoners.

Two Americans Killed.

With the American Army in France, Jan. 31.—Two Americans were killed and four wounded, and another is missing and believed to be captured, when an American position on the French front was raided by the enemy shortly after daylight this morning. The raid occurred during a heavy fog and was accompanied by a violent artillery barrage. The casualties that have been given out in Washington have occurred in this sector. The deaths were caused by shell fire, mostly shrapnel. The enemy casualties from American cannon and machine guns are said to have been as great or greater than the American losses.

State of Siege in Germany.

Copenhagen, Jan. 31.—A state of siege has been declared at Hambuhg, Altona and Wandsbeck, according to the socialist paper, the Hamburg Echo.

Increase in Shipping Losses.

London, Jan. 31.—An increase in British shipping losses is shown in last night's weekly summary, which reported the destruction of nine vessels of more and six of less than 1,600 tons.

Want Reichstag Summoned.

London, Jan. 31.—Socialist leaders in Germany, according to advices here, have asked the president of the Reichstag to summon that body immediately in view of the alarming events of the past ten days.

Twenty Persons Killed.

Paris, Jan. 31.—Twenty persons were killed and fifty wounded in last night's air raid over Paris. One raider was brought down and its occupants are prisoners.

Berlin Calls It Reprisal.

Berlin, Jan. 31.—Official statement today says that fourteen tons of bombs were dropped on Paris last night as reprisals.

Plan New Red Army.

Petrograd, Jan. 31.—The official announcement by the Bolsheviki government says "the new workmen's and peasants' army will serve to support the coming social revolution in Europe."

British Casualty List.

London, Jan. 31.—British casualties during January totalled 73,017, divided as follows: Killed or died of wounds—Officers 358; men 13,698; wounded or missing—Officers 1,205; men 57,756. These figures show about 6,000 less than the December casualties.

TO HELP SOLDIERS.

Special to The Times.

New York, Jan. 31.—A large quantity of a newly discovered drug has been shipped to the American forces overseas. The function of this drug is to detect kidney defects before they are in an advanced stage. It is regarded as important in minimizing diseases among soldiers.

HEALTHIER IN TENTS.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Secretary of War Baker said today that Surgeon General Gorgas believed that men in camps live a healthier life in tents than in barracks. The military affairs committee reported favorably two resolutions making two million men in class 1 available for service.

SPORT CHATTER.

Al Delmont, one time prominent as a lighweight, has been chosen boxing instructor at Phillips Andover Academy.

The headline "Ty Cobb to Be Drafted" should not be taken to mean that the Tiger star is going up to the White Sox.

Horse named Clean-Up has been living up to its name at the Havana race track. At any rate the owners of the nag have cleaning up.

The Detroit Tigers have lost two regulars, George Burns and Howard Ehmke, and eight recruit pastimers through enlisment or draft.

Johnny Dundee has called off his bout with Willie Jackson scheduled for Philadelphia next month, on account of his being booked for the bouts in New Orleans.

Word is being passed along the line that the veteran Steve Yerkes, hero of a dozen leagues, is all set for a return to the big show as a member of the Cardinals.

'Tis said that Waite Hoyt, the Giants' school-boy pitcher, is to get his long-looked-for chance to shine as a regular heaver this spring.

SPECIAL ELECTION FEB. 15 CREATING SOME INTEREST

Paul W. Evans and E. A. Atlee, Two Attorneys, Are Candidates to Succeed Representative Woodul.

A special election will be held in this city and county on February to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Representative Walter Woodul, who gave up the position of member of the legislature from this representative district to accept the position of assistant adjutant general.

As the time draws near for the election interest begins to manifest itself and a close contest is expected between the two aspirants now in the race, Paul W. Evans and Edwin A. Atlee, both attorneys of this city. It is believed these will be the only candidates in the race.

Notice to the Public.

Beginning on the 1st of February I am compelled to raise the price of milk to 20c a quart, 60c a gallon.

M. A. HARPER,
1-29-3t.

WILSON ADDRESSED AMERICAN FARMERS

SAYS ISSUE OF CONFLICT BE DETERMINED ONE WAY WAY OR OTHER DURING THE YEAR.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 31.—President Wilson in a message addressed to the farmers of the United States read before the conference being held at the University of Illinois called upon them for their assistance and said the country needs them during the coming year of war. That the achievements of this year on one side or the other must determine the issue.

Demand for Increases.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Demands for wage increases pending before the railway commission aggregate 40 per cent. They represent nearly $500,000,000 a year, or about half the railway operating income last year.

From Wednesday's Daily.

PAMPERING SOLDIERS.

There is a question in the minds of many officers of the regular army if the present "pampering of the soldiers," as they call it, is not unfitting a great many of the men for the real work of a soldier.

There would seem to be justice in the question, for after all, a soldier's real work is to fight. He may not be up to the standard of pink teas, or society hops, and he may be a roughneck of the worst variety, but if he will fight when called upon to do so, much will be forgiven him.

Many people seem to lose sight of the real reason for the army. They speak of the necessity of guarding our men from contaminating influences, of keeping up the home spirit and of improving their morals, if not their religion. But in the final analysis, it does not require efficiency in handing round teacups to enable a soldier to fight, especially as fighting is now carried on.

The real military training is going on alongside the "coddling" to which some of the officers object, and it is only fair to say that the latter takes up a small portion of the soldier's time. But he must not be permitted to believe that in the modern warfare, especially with the enemy he is going against, there will be any chivalry or humanity or even manliness. To be even 90 per cent effective against the Hun he must be about 95 per cent brute.

The soldiers in the Civil War had not the opportunities which are now given our soldiers. They had no Y. M. C. A. huts, no comfortable hospitals with anaesthetics and the latest surgical equipment, no concerts and movie shows, no daily visits from committees of ladies to take their minds off the real work in hand. Yet there is no one who can deny that our soldiers in that far-off period, as it seems to us now, were efficient. And that applies to the men on both sides. Yet despite the lack of softening influences, there was as much chivalry shown as ever in the times of the Crusaders, and the men were not dehumanized by the terrible experiences they went through.

This does not mean that we should refrain from doing all that we can for the young men who have answered their country's call. They are entitled to all that we can give them, even though our tender solicitude for them does sometimes verge upon the grotesque.

It takes a great deal to destroy the manhood of the average young American, so we feel that our soldiers will rise superior to all that has tended to soften them, and that we shall find mighty few mollycoddles among them when the time comes to show the stuff they are made of.

A man need not be less a man because he is subjected to refining influences, nor need he lose all of the brute that is in him and which is so much needed in warfare because he has been treated with consideration and human sympathy. Otherwise, our college football games would be like the diversions of an old ladies' home, for our college boys are submitted to much the same influences with which the soldiers of the present day are surrounded.

The soldier must remember that when he gets into the game he must buck the line as hard as his muscle and his training will permit him. He must have no compunction at driving his bayonet home, even though his innate humanity will permit him to care for the wounded or dying enemy as soon as the fighting is over. He must shoot straight and fast, and he must never let the sporting instinct get the better of him so long as he is opposed to a foe who will cut an enemy's throat rather than be bothered with a prisoner.

Above all, he must remember that he is fighting to prevent the same things happening to his own women folk as he will see happening to the women folk of France or Belgium or wherever else the German beast has been. He must show his gratitude for what the women of America have done for him by making their future safe from the Hun.

He may get spoiled by a little coddling, but he will fight all the harder for it when he gets away from it all. He can't help it.

A MODERN ABSALOM.

"And the king was much moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, thus he said: O my son Absalom! my son, my son Absalom! would God I had died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son!"

The beloved son of David had rebelled against his father, and there was war throughout the land. Absalom was killed while fleeing, and the king, his father, mourned more over him who had been a rebel than he might have mourned for one that was a loyal son.

The news comes from Berlin that there is a movement on foot, headed by the crown prince of Germany, to force the king to abdicate in favor of his worthless and corrupt son. The crown prince declares that his father has given too free a hand to the socialists, and the newspaper which is the organ of the movement openly charges that the kaiser has sold the empire to the socialists!

Well may the kaiser say: "Thy glories are departed." Yet who is to blame for this state of affairs? Who has taught his people that they were answerable to no one but him? Who has crushed out all filial respect in order that the children of Germany might reverence only the kaiser? Who has encouraged the wilful son in his deeds of shame and has permitted him to lead in the war councils, although every one knows that he has less than the average intelligence and is absolutely given up to vice?

Will this new Absalom triumph in the conflict which seems certain to come? Will the imperious autocrat permit this rebellion on the part of his own son, or will he call to his side those who are loyal to him and crush out the revolt before it has gathered headway?

These are questions which cannot be answered, even by those who know the kaiser best. He is a broken man, with all the weight of the fearful crimes he has caused resting heavily upon his drooping shoulders. He fears the light of day, and still more he fears the darkness.

He must see, every time he closes his eyes, the innocent victims of the Lusitania, of the Belgium horrors and of all the vile outrages which were committed by his order or in his name.

He has debased his people until he cannot expect loyalty or respect from them. He has taught his heir to have no respect for a sacred obligation, and in his age he finds that the young man is destined to be a modern Absalom and to attempt to rebel against the authority which in the eyes of a Hohenzollern is second only to that of God.

Contempt for the pledged word is bound to bring with it resentment against authority imposed. If the kaiser can break his word with his allies; why cannot his people break their oath of loyalty to the throne?

And the best thing that could happen to Germany would be the abdication of William II and the accession of the weak-minded, vicious, corrupt crown prince. The rule which might be expected of such a degenerate would the more surely result in the uprising of the people and the establishment of a government for the people, of the people and by the people.

There is yet to arise a prophet in Germany, who will curse the kaiser, as Shimei cursed David, saying: "Come out thou bloody man, thou man of Belial!" For the blood of all the kaiser's victims cries out against him, and the blood of the countless dead on the field of battle will rise up and overwhelm him.

It is the just vengeance of the Most High that the man who would have the whole world do obeisance to his name should have a rebellious son who demands the throne of his father while that father still lives.

Those who are supporting the crown prince in this unfilial attitude will also suffer when the wrath of the people, which is sometimes the wrath of God expressed in human acts, can be no longer stayed by the dread of the "divinity that doth hedge about a king," and the tyranny and the oppression which found their best exemplication in the rule of Wilhelm II are swept away, to make room for the government of the people.

London has gotten so it can talk calmly over the death of forty-six persons from a German raid. God forbid that we shall ever get so used to it that it will seem like normal! Yet that is just what has happened to London.

It seems not to be so sunny and warm in "My Old Kentucky Home" as in former years. When an ice gorge can sweep away a fleet of steamships in the Tennessee river, it is time for the people to go farther for the real "Sunny South." Come to Laredo.

And now the Bolsheviki are worried over the outlook, as the present government is unable to carry on the war, and a coalition of all the socialist factions is proposed. Why not wipe out the socialists and get a government with some sense?

It is interesting to note that, according to official figures of the army Medical Department, the rate of sufferers from venereal diseases in the army, both at home and abroad is 1.4 per 1000, in other words, 14 men out of every 10,000, which is a pretty clean record.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(Advertisement)

The Times is authorized to announce Paul W. Evans as a candidate for the office of Representative from Webb County in the Texas Legislature, to fill the vacancy in the House made by the resignation of Representative Walter Woodul. A special election to fill this vacancy has been called by the Governor to be held in Webb County on the 15th day of February, A. D. 1918.

The Times is authorized to announce E. A. Atlee as a candidate for Representative from this, the 79th Representative District, to be voted on at the special election to be held on February 15, 1918.

TIMES WANT ADS.
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Stop That



Throw Away the Wash Board—and



Let CHICO Do the Work

That is what wears out the clothes and injures the lady's health.
Why do your clothes wear out so fast?
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LET CHICO DO THE WORK

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Makes clothes Clean, Sweet *and Whiter than Snow.*

Two Days Work in 2 Hours Time

Every Package *Saves* a Dollar.
Saves over half the expense.
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Cleans, Renovates, Sterilizes.
Contains absolutely no injurious acids, lime, lye wax or alkili.
Beautifies and *Preserves* cuticle and textile, hands and clothes.

Chico also makes many house cleaning tasks easier and more pleasant, see Directions in package.

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TRY IT!—Cleans everything from silks and laces to horse blankets and overalls.

CHILDREN BUYING STAMPS; ENCOURAGE THE PRACTICE

Thrift Stamps Can Be Exchanged for War Savings Stamps, Which Increase in Value Each Month.

The sale of Thrift Stamps and War Saving Stamps in Laredo is quite lively at this time at both the postoffice and the Laredo National Bank, where both kinds of stamps can be secured—the Thrift Stamps at 25 cents each and the War Savings Stamps valued at $5 each, for $4.12 this month, though the latter increase in value one cent each month. That is a War Saving Stamp redeemable on January 1, 1923, at $5, this month costs you $4.12, while next month it will advance to $4.13.

Quite a number of the children of Laredo have started little savings accounts and are filling out their cards with Thrift Stamps, and each time they have sixteen of these stamps on a card provided them, they add 12 cents to them and cash them in for a War Savings Stamp which is worth $5. Encourage the children to buy Thrift Stamps, which are called "Little Liberty Bonds," and in time they will have a nice little savings account drawing good interest, for when they cash them in for War Savings Stamps each of the latter increase in value at the rate of one cent per month.

SOLD ALL HIS LIVE STOCK AND LEASED HIS BIG RANCH

Leonard Haynes of Zapata County Makes Deal With John Jackson of San Antonio Involving Big Amount

A big cattle deal and ranch lease transaction was consummated in this city a few days ago when Leonard Haynes disposed of his large herd of cattle and leased his "Venado" ranch in Zapata county for a period of five years to John Jackson of San Antonio.

The rounding up of the cattle preparatory to delivery to Mr. Jackson is now being done. Though the amount involved in the cattle deal and ranch lease is private, the transaction involves a sum in excess of $100,000. All the cattle involved in the deal are in excellent condition, as the pasturage in the "Venado" ranch is good, not having suffered much from the drouth, but being in a strip of country that has had rains at frequent intervals. Some few horses and other live stock were also sold to Mr. Jackson.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Texas-Mexican.

Train No. 1 leaves for Corpus Christi at 1:20 p. m.
Train No. 3 leaves for Corpus Christi at 8:30 p. m.
Train No. 2 arrives from Corpus Christ at 2:10 p. m.
Train No. 4 arrives from Corpus Christi at 7:05 p. m.

International & Great Northern.

Through fast train for St. Louis leaves at 11:00 a. m. and arrives at 4:15 p. m.

Night Train.

Leaves at 9 p. m. and arrives at a. m.

Rio Grande & Eagle Pass.

Train No. 1 leaves Laredo daily except Sunday at 8 a. m. Arrives at Minera at 10:20 a. m.
Train No. 2 leaves Minera daily except Sunday at 1 p. m. Arrives at Laredo at 3:15 p. m.

NOTABLE BIRTHDAY TODAY.

JANUARY 30.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt, whose position as assistant secretary of the United States Navy is naturally a post of much importance in the present time of war, is a comparatively young man, having been born 46 years ago today. He belongs to the well-known Roosevelt family which has been prominently in New York since colonial days. Harvard University gave him his academic training, and the Columbia Law School his professional discipline. He first made more than a local reputation by his record as an independent legislator at Albany, during the three years that he was a member of the New York State senate. Since 1913 he has been in his present post, attending pretty strictly to business, but occasionally emerging to defend his chief, the Navy Department and what he has believed to be right departmental and national policies. For he does his own thinking and has a straightforward way of doing both personal and national business.

TIMES WANT ADS.
$ $ $ $ $ Money Makers $ $ $ $ $



These make up the usual Dutch lunch—but what will you serve to drink?

For years the host and hostess have been asking themselves that same question—especially whenever the occasion happens to be one of those cozy little after-theatre or "in-between-times" parties. Now, there is a ready answer—

Bevo
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A BEVERAGE

This distinctively new creation in soft drinks is sparkling—snappy—delicious. It is healthful with the wholesomeness of the choicest cereals—appetizing with the bouquet and agreeable bitter tang which only choice hops can impart. It is sure to "hit the spot"—sure to encounter no prejudices.

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You will find Bevo—
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have the bottle opened in your presence, first seeing that the seal has not been broken, and that the crown top bears the Fox. Bevo is sold in bottles only—and is bottled exclusively by

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

JANUARY 30.

1797—John Fairfield, governor of Maine during the Aroostook disturbance, born at Saco, Maine. Died in Washington, D. C., Dec. 24, 1847.
1816—Gen. Nathaniel P. Banks, governor of Massachusetts and Speaker of the national House, born at Waltham, Mass. Died there, Sept. 1, 1894.
1835—Attempted assassination of President Jackson by Richard Lawrence.
1847—The United States flag was fired on in the harbor of Rio de Janeiro by the Brazilian insurgents.
1897—Convention respecting the Alaskan boundary signed at Washington.
1900—William Goebel was shot by an assassin at Frankfort, Ky.; legislative boards declared him elected governor.
1906—King Frederick VIII acceded to the throne of Denmark.
THE WAR:—
1915—Russians reported to be reoccupied Tabriz, Persia, after inflicting heavy losses upon the Turks.
1916—Second Zeppelin raid in two days made on Paris; no lives reported lost.
1917—Captain Hans Boehm, of German army, carrying American passports, seized by the English.

Doctor Royston's Rabbit.

Dr. Barney Royston of Evansville was out hunting near his home, relates the Indianapolis News, and shot a rabbit in the back yard at the home of one of his neighbors. Just as he started to get it, the little daughter of the neighbor ran out and picked it up.

"Wait," Doctor Royston said, "that's my rabbit. I shot it."

"I know, but you shot it in our yard," the child answered. She hesitated a moment and then said:

"Wait, I don't want you to lose anything by it."

She took the rabbit into the house and came out with something in her hand.

"This is yours," she said as she handed Doctor Royston a shell for his gun.

Stomach Troubles.

If you have trouble with your stomach you should try Chamberlain's Tablets. So many have been restored to health by the use of these tablets and their cost is so little, 25 cents, that it is worth while to give them a trial.

THE DRILLING OPERATIONS IN ZAPATA BEING WATCHED

Many Familiar With Conditions in That Section Believe Gusher Will Eventually Be Brought in.

The news from Zapata county where where drilling operations for oil have been in progress for some time past, and which announce that producing strata have been found at depths of from 184 to 900 feet, is most encouraging and geologists who are familiar with the conditions in the Zapata county field are confident that further development work will result in the finding of a heavy producing strata giving a plenteous supply of oil of good quality.

The new oil field, which is directly southeast of the Piedras Pintas oil field of Duval county, and not very far from the Rio Grande river, is in a section rich in gas production and is believed by many to be a continuation of the oil belt extending from Piedras Pintas southeastward into Mexico. At this time there are a number of wells being drilled in the Zapata field and development work will be watched with much interest, as the prediction is made that a great oil field will eventually be developed there. There is no railroad connection between Laredo and the Zapata oil field, which is about sixty miles down the Rio Grande from here, but should oil in paying quantities be found there a railroad will be constructed from this city or some point on the Texas-Mexican railroad in short order.

Notice of Dissolution.

By mutual agreement the partnership existing between F. E. Whitaker & H. L. Brennan under the style of Whitaker & Brennan has been dissolved and terminated. Any oustanding accounts against the firm should be mailed to the undersigned for adjustment.

H. L. BRENNAN.
1-29-7t.

HERMAN G. SCHWESINGER DIED IN BERKELEY, CALIF.

Was Secretary of Emperor Maximilian and Faced Firing Squad; One of Builders Mexican Railroad.

Press dispatches of Monday contained mention of the death at his home in Berkeley, California, of Herman G. Schwesinger, who was secretary to Emperor Maximilian of Mexico and, together with many others of the Maximilian dynasty, were lined up to be shot, but Schwesinger was saved from the death volley of the firing squad by a miracle.

The item under a Berkeley, Calif., date referring to his death contains the following interesting information, and he was perhaps known to numerous old-time residents of Laredo by reason of the fact that he was one of the builders of the Mexican railroads:

"Herman G. Schwesinger, who was secretary to Emperor Maximilian when the latter ruled Mexico, died today at his home here, aged 78 years. When Maximilian and many of his followers were lined up to be shot, Schwesinger was among the men who faced the firing squad. He was saved at the last minute by the intervention of friends. At one time he was American consul in the City of Mexico and also participated in the building of the Mexican Railroad. Later he became interested in mercantile activities in this state. He is survived by his widow and two daughters."

NEW YORK LUMBER DEALERS.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 30.—With an enthusiastic expression of loyalty to the Government and a determination to aid in the prosecution of the war in every possible way, the members of the Retail Lumber Dealers' Association of the State of New York opened their annual convention here today. The convention sessions will continue several days and will be devoted chiefly to the discussion of wartime problems affecting the lumber trade.

PIMPLY? WELL, DON'T BE!

People Notice It. Drive Them Off with Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets

A pimply face will not embarrass you much longer if you get a package of Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets. The skin should begin to clear after you have taken the tablets a few nights.

Cleanse the blood, the bowels and the liver with Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets, the successful substitute for calomel; there's never any sickness or pain after taking them.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets do that which calomel does, and just as effectively, but their action is gentle and safe instead of severe and irritating.

No one who takes Olive Tablets is ever cursed with "a dark brown taste," a bad breath, a dull, listless, "no good" feeling, constipation, torpid liver, bad disposition or pimply face.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets are a purely vegetable compound mixed with olive oil; you will know them by their olive color.

Dr. Edwards spent years among patients afflicted with liver and bowel complaints, and Olive Tablets are the immensely effective result.

Take one or two nightly for a week. See how much better you feel and look. 10c and 25c per box. All druggists.

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A natural mineral water is such a positive eliminant that it is worth a trial in all diseases where elimination is not thorough. Try it in constipation, rheumatism, Bright's diseases, diabetes, acid dyspepcias, etc. Ask for booklet.
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Succeed when everything else fails. In nervous prostration and female weaknesses they are the supreme remedy, as thousands have testified.
FOR KIDNEY, LIVER AND STOMACH TROUBLE
it is the best medicine ever sold over a druggist's counter.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.
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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Are Your Sewers Clogged?

The bowels are the sewerage system of the body. You can well imagine the result when they are stopped up as is the case in constipation. As a purgative you will find Chamberlain's Tablets excellent. They are mild and gentle in their action. They also improve the digestion.

From Tuesday's Daily.

LITTLE LOCALS

—The poll tax rush is on in both the offices of the city and county tax collectors, and throughout today there have been large crowds on hand at both places securing poll tax receipts. There are only two more days left in which poll tax receipts can be secured, and if you don't get them in that time you will be disfranchised for the year 1918.

—Because the cavalry went out on a practice march yesterday many people saw visions of bandit incursions and rumors flew thick and fast that the American cavalry had a battle with Mexican bandits down the river. But if the American boys saw any bandits it is news to them and the alarmist is again in the wrong pew in the distribution of his sensations.

—Baldomero Garcia, one of the telegraph company messenger boys, collided with an automobile at the corner of Lincoln street and San Agustin Avenue last night. The boy was knocked to the ground and it is said one of the auto wheels passed over his body, but he was not badly hurt.

—The vice crusade in Laredo is having its results, at least City Marshal Brennan and his force of policemen are doing their part in the work, and last night they made a number of raids and arrested several women who are supposed to have been conducting respectable lives, but were found otherwise. "The way of the transgressor is hard" in Laredo just now.

—County Judge Geo. R. Page, who returned recently from San Antonio, where he had been for three months undergoing medical treatment, and who has been unable to get about since coming home, will return to San Antonio on Friday for examination, as he is suffering some pain in his left leg and is unable to support himself standing.

OIL OPERATIONS SOUTHEAST OF LAREDO NEAR ZAPATA

STRATA OF OIL FOUND AT 164 AND BELOW 800 FEET.

The Production of Oil in Large Quantities Would Mean Unlimited Development for Laredo.

The oil fields 50 miles southeast of Laredo, Texas, on which large drilling operations are in progress, give promise of development into one of the big oil fields of the United States. Leases have been taken on approximately 300,000 acres. At least one of the large oil companies is now in the field and in all, drilling operations are being conducted by four companies on deep tests.

A good strata of high grade oil was found in one well at 164, and another strata of oil with gas was found between 800 and 900 feet. Geologists' reports on this field have been very favorable. They are expecting to strike the next strata between 1,800 and 2,300 feet.

It is believed that the well which struck a strata below 800 feet will produce between 50 and 100 barrels per day and the company is now preparing to put it on test.

Some of the wells are nearing the 1,800 feet depth and the drilling at this point is eagerly watched. A great deal of leasing has been done and the development work already started will call for an expenditure of a quarter of a million dollars.

The field in which these operations are being conducted is located twenty miles south of the big gas field from which Laredo receives its supply.

Thus far little has been said with reference to these oil operations, but the drilling operations have been in progress for a considerable time, the wells being sunk a little deeper every day. A number of Laredo people are interested in the Zapata country tract, but after the drilling was well under way, outside capital became interested and leased large holdings. If oil in large quantities is developed in this tract it will mean almost unlimited development for Laredo.

SLACKERS ARE BOUND OVER AND UNABLE FURNISH BOND

Israel Ostrowsky and Morris Post, of New York, Who Were Skipping to Mexico, Are in Jail.

Two of the slackers apprehended near Laredo the past few days while trying to skip to Mexico to evade military service under the selective draft law, were this morning arraigned before United States Commissioner Foster who, after hearing the evidence, bound them over to the federal grand jury in the sum of $200 each, which they were unable to furnish and were remanded to jail.

The young men referred to are Israel James Ostrowsky and Morris Post, of Russian and Austrian descent. They came from New York City and at the time of their apprehension were "beating it" in an automoobile toward a point on the Rio Grande, where they expected to ford the river and cross to the Mexican side and thereby evade military service under the selective draft law.

BOOTLEGGING MUST CEASE SALOON MEN TAKE ACTION

OFFICERS AND MEN IN UNIFORM CAN GET NO MORE BOOZE HERE

Resolutions Adopted by Saloonmen Will be Incorporated Into Ordinance and Law Strictly Enforced.

At a meeting of all the liquor dealers of Laredo, with one exception, a resolution was passed submitting to the city council for adoption and establishing regulations for the liquor dealers of this city that was concurred in and approved by all represented. The resolutions seeks to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors to irresponsible persons, also officers and men of the United States army, and will put a stop to a practice whereby officers and men alike have heretofore been able to secure intoxicating liquors through other channels. The resolutions adopted and signed by thirty-eight saloon-keepers and liquor dealers of Laredo, are as follows:

Be It Enacted Now That: It shall be unlawful for any Wholesale dealer in Malt and Spirituous Liquors and Wines, within the corporate limits of the City of Laredo, Webb County, State of Texas, to sell, give or supply or barter, Beer, Whiskey, Wines or any other intoxicating liquors to any one except a duly authorized and licensed retail dealer, except as hereinafter provided, to-wit:

A licensed Wholesale Malt and Liquor dealer may secure from the Hon. Mayor of the City of Laredo, Texas, a special permit to sell to the head of a responsible family or other reliable person, an amount of beer, liquor or wine, to be used for family or table purposes, the said permit to be issued by the Hon. Mayor of the City of Laredo, Texas, when assurances are given, that the said beer, liquor or wine are not to be sold, supplied or bartered to any officer or soldier of the United States Army or to any other person to whom the Federal Statutes prohibit the use of liquor.

Be It Further Enacted That: It shall be uniawful for any licensed Retail Dealer in Malt and Spirituous Liquors, within the corporate limits of the City of Laredo, Webb County, State of Texas, to sell, give, supply or barter, beer, whiskey or wines or any other intoxicating liquors to any person to be taken off of the premises of said licensed Malt and Spirituous Liquor dealer, except as hereinafter provided, to-wit:

A licensed Retail Malt and Spirituous Liquor dealer may obtain a permit from the Hon. Mayor of the City of Laredo, Webb County, State of Texas, to sell a quantity of beer, liquor or wine, to the head of a responsible family or other reliable person, when assured that the said beer, liquor or wine will not be sold, given, supplied or bartered, to any Officer or Soldier of the United States Army or any other person to whom liquor is prohibited by the Federal Statutes.

All Malt and Spirituous Liquor dealers within the corporate limits of the City of Laredo, Webb County, State of Texas, who fail to comply with the above Ordinance, will be found guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not less than $5.00 nor more than $100.00 or by imprisonment as prescribed in the Penal Code or both.

At a meeting held in the City of Laredo, Webb County, State of Texas, on the 25th day of January, 1918, we the undersigned Wholesale and Retail Lisenced Malt and Spirituous Liquor open meeting, did approve, accept and pledge our sincere support to the above Ordinance in its entirety.

Mayor McComb, in a statement made to The Times today, asserted that at the meeting of the city council on next Tuesday night the resolutions passed by the liquor dealers of Laredo would be incorporated into an ordinance, submitted to the council and passed, taking effect immediately thereafter. He further stated that all parties in Laredo who then failed to comply with these regulations and assist the saloon-keepers in preventing a violation of the law of selling intozicating liquors to officers and men of the United States army, or their agents or representatives, will be taken into custody and dealt with severely and their places of business closed permanently.

"The United States government has decreed that men in uniform shall not be sold or given intoxicating liquors," said the mayor, "and here in Laredo the practice must cease and the ones who attempt to do bootlegging in this city or sell liquor secretly to officers and men of the United States army or their agents are going to find themselves in a bad predicament."

All officers of the city, county and federal government here will assist Mayor McComb in enforcing the law on this subject and it is their hope to eliminate vice and bootlegging from Laredo.

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PERSONALS

A. L. Gray, the hardware man is a guest at the Bender.

A. E. Gates is in the city from his ranch on business.

BENDER:—R. E. Feike, San Antonio; H. E. Fretwell, Dallas; R. T. McEachern, San Antonio; A. W. Lewis, Mexico City; W. C. Wilcox H. S. Mulliken, San Antonio; N. C. Butler, New York; M. G. Crawford, Dallas; Geo. I. McCoy, Topeka, Kan.; G. H. Augulo, San Antonio; R. E. Freeman, New York; M. F. Head, San Antonio; W. T. Murewuther and wife, A. D. Putman, Tampico; Mrs. E. L. Sharp, C. M. Brosseau, Abe Finkilstein, San Antonio; A. L. Grey, St. Louis, Mo.

HAMILTON—P. A. Cox, Miss Jackson, Miss Mercedes Sanchez, F. Mize, W. Thompson, John Jackson, San Antonio; Jose Castine, Jose M. Monedo. Mrs. Effie J. Olbert, Mexico City; Ed. L. Watkins, Tampico; O. C. Meyer and wife, Eagle Pass; J. H. Kernan, Santa Rosa Farm; Joe Hernandez, New Laredo, Mex.; S. E. Hines, Torrecillas; A. Grombosh, New Orleans; P. V. Milmo, Monterey; R. K. Freeman, New York, Sam J. Jordan, J. R. Way, Encinal; A. Leal, Rio Grande City; Everett Love, Antonio Rivas, San Antonio; J. Petrolia, M. M. Uribe, Rio Grande City.

ANENT NITRATE OF SODA.

To the Laredo Times.

In order that all parties interested may be fully advised as to the purchase of nitrate of soda from the government, beg to submit the following telegrams in explanation of the exact status of the situation at this time. When I was notified that the county agents were to act in the capacity of local representatives of the purchase and distribution or allottment of nitrate of soda, I wired the Bureau of Markets at Washington, which has charge of the proposition for the government, asking for information as indicated.

Laredo, Tex., Jan. 23d, 1918.

"Bureau of Markets,
Washington, D. C.

Referring to circulars about nitrate of soda. Important our growers know definitely how soon delivery at Laredo may be made. If not promptly, may be too late for our onion growers. How long to get cars through from ports of entry to Laredo. Need plenty of application blanks."

Signed, F. W. Mally.

Reply was received on Jan. 24th as follows:

F. W. Mally, County Agent:

Unable to advise definitely relative nitrate delivery. Unlikely any can be shipped from port for Texas earlier than late February. Application blanks mailed.

Signed, Brand.

That submits the exact situation and each grower will know just as much about making a decision as I do. The blank applications were mailed to all who might possibly use some nitrate of soda, and it needs to be stated in this connection that these blanks should be filled in and signed and turned in to me promptly, so that I may inspect them and approve them and forward to the Bureau of Markets office by not later than Feb. 4th.

There is a possibility that this effort to get nitrate of soda to the farmers in February will operate as a force to encourage conservatism on the part of the nitrate operators not to get in much of a supply of this fertilizer ahead of actual orders. If that should be the case, then there is likely to be a shortage of nitrate for distribution in March through the usual nitrate agencies. This should be considered by the growers, and if they have not secured enough of a supply to meet their wants during March, as well as what they expect to use during February, then it may be well to hedge on a supply through this source, even though it is later than appears will be of use to the growers from the present indications.

Enough growers should get together to make sure of a maximum car lot shipment, even if it is to come for use in March. Whatever action is taken, must be decided upon at once, so that the proper application, signed and checked in due course, may be of record and be in regular order for attention. I shall be glad to assist and serve in any way possible to provide for the best interests of the growers.

FRED. W. MALLY,
County Agent.

AWFUL APPETITE.

A man was telling about an exciting experience in Russia. His sleigh was pursued over the frozen wastes by a pack of at least a dozen famished wolves.

He arose and shot the foremost one, and the others stopped to devour it. But they soon caught up with him, and he shot another which was in turn devoured. This was repeated until the last famished wolf was almost upon him with gleaming jaws, when——

"Say, partner," broke in one of the listeners, "according to your reckoning that last famished wolf must have had the other eleven inside of him."

"Well, come to think it over," said the story teller, "maybe he wasn't so famished after all."

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SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt
Editor Phone 76

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Tuesday.

Red Cross Surgical Room in charge of Mrs. H. M. Austin at 2:30 in the afternoon.

Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church will meet at the Rectory with Mrs. C. W. Cook at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Ladies Aid of the Christian church will meet with Mrs. R. A. Millar at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Wednesday.

Red Cross Surgical Room will be in charge of Mrs. H. G. Earnest at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Paris Guild of Christ Church will meet at Red Cross Surgical Room in the afternoon to assist in the work.

The Auction Bridge Club will be entertained by Mrs. Robt. L. Muller at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Nopales Camp Fire Girls will meet with Mrs. J. A. Burnett in the afternoon.

The Christian Erdeavor Training for Service Class will meet at the Christian church in the evening.

Dinner Dance at the Hotel Hamilton in the evening.

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You Went Away.

You said adieu
And I to you
God-speed bade with a smile.
Then careless spake
To hide the ache
That clutched my heart the while.

You went, nor knew
How went with you,
The light from out my day.
You smiled and chaffed;
I lightly laughed
And then—you went away.

And since you've gone
Sunset nor dawn.
Nor skies of azure hue
Have meant the same—
They're but the frame.
The picture, dear, was you.

Where falls the dew
On fields, far, new,
May changes keep you gay.
But every scene
'Round here will mean
That you, that you're away.

—Gracia Cornett.

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General Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Ilfeld last night accompanied their son to San Antonio, where he will enter the officers' training camp.

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Dr. T. J. Turpin will return from Corpus Christi today. Dr. and Mrs. Turpin will return to Santo Tomas on Wednesday.

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Mrs. Hal W. Greer and little grandsons will leave on Friday for Beaumont.

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Announcement.

The Thrift Stamp card party which is being arranged by the Woman's Club will be given next Friday afternoon at the former club house of the Latin-American Club, corner Iturbide street and San Agustin avenue. Further announcement will be made in these columns.

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Red Cross Notes.

The Red Cross Surgical Room was in charge of Mrs. W. D. Butler yesterday afternoon. The ladies made 75 wipes and 51 five-yard bandage rolls. Those present were: Mesdames Butler, Weber, Garlick, Withoff, Ilfeld, Gill, Westbrook, Tucker and Austin.

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Entertainment.

The Nullos Club met with Mrs. W. N. Young yehterday afternoon and a series of pleasant games of bridge were enjoyed. This meeting finishes the round; the members have been keeping a tournament score. Mrs. Young held high score. The club voted not to award prizes this season, and there will be no more meetings until after Easter. The club members present were: Mesdames Penn, Christen, Woodman, Greer, Young and Miss Penn. The guests of the afternoon were Mesdames Dodd and McComb.

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RUSSIANS SPLIT ON QUESTION OF PEACE AND COALITION OF SOCIALISTS SUGGESTED

Majority of Bolsheviki Oppose Conclusion of Peace on German Terms and in Favor of "Holy War"—Bolsheviki Representative on Way to Carry News to Allies Concerning the Negotiations.

HEAVY ICE GORGES BREAK.

By Associated Press.

Paducah, Ky., Jan. 29.—Descending ice gorges in the Tennessee and Ohio rivers converging here today swept the winter fleet of packets and other craft from their moorings at up river points and Paducah and carried it down the Ohio. Appeals from persons marooned on the ice bound craft were heard as they passed here.

TWENTY WERE SHOT DOWN.

Special to The Times.

London, Jan. 29.—Another great burst of aerial activity has developed over the western and Italian fronts and nearly twenty German machines have been shot down in the past 48 hours, according to information received here today. One British airplane is missing. On the Italian front the Teutons are concentrating their attentions against Red Cross hospitals. Three hospitals in Mestre, behind the Italian front lines were attacked and damaged.

CATHOLICS IN THE ARMY.

Special to The Times.

New York, Jan. 29.—St. Patrick's cathedral flag with 502 stars for parish members who are serving in the United States military forces was unfurled alongside the edifice after being blessed by Cardinal Farley. The Cathedral Club of 100 members in khakf uniforms paraded, carrying the flag, from the parochial residence led by the cathedral band and accompanied by the Boys' Division in white. "You've done splendidly," said Commander John Grady of the United States navy. The cathedral rector said in his sermon: "The United States Catholics have never failed. Their sense of duty for service is a source of pride to us. Published figures seemingly show that 35 per cent of the present forces of the country are Catholics. The Catholic population of the country is 17 per cent of the total population. We thank God our people are again ready and believe that the future will equal the past, of which we are pardonably proud."

EL PASO TO VOTE ON "DRY" QUESTION.

El Paso, Texas, Jan., 29.—For the first time in the history of the community the citizens of the city and county of El Paso are to be given an opportunity tomorrow to vote on the saloon question. The special election comes as a result of a long agitation on the part of the prohibition advocates. As El Paso is the largest city in this section of Texas, and has long had the reputation of being an exceedingly "wet" spot, the result of the election is awaited with keen interest, because of the influence it may have elsewhere in the State.

TAG YOUR COAL SHOVEL.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 29.—Every household in the land, from the most costly mansion to the most humble cottage, is to have its coal shovel tagged with wartime economy hints tomorrow. The day has been designated for a nation-wide observance of "Tag Your Shovel Day."

The Federal Fuel Administration is the father of the idea, and to carry it out it is enlisting the services of millions of school children. State and municipal school authorities, as well as the superintendents and teachers, have been asked to join in making the day a national school holiday. On each coal shovel is to be affixed a tag urging the saving of fuel and also carrying advice about heating and care of the furnace.

One of the interesting features of the day will be the tagging of the coal shovels used at the national capitol, the White House, State capitols, city halls, and in the homes of governors and mayors.

MONTANA LUMBERMEN MEET.

Kalispell, Mont., Jan. 29.—Lumber manufacturers of Montana gathered here in large number today to attend the annual meeting o ftheir State association. The sessions, which will continue several days, will be devoted to the discussion of numerous important problems now confronting the lumber industry, and particularly those arising from war conditions.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 29.—The Bolsheviki have split on the question of peace, the majority being against the conclusion of peace on the German terms and in favor of a "holy war," an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Petrograd says: "As the present government is unable to carry on the war, the formation of a coalition of all socialist factions was proposoed."

To Resume Negotiations.

Petrograd, Jan. 28.—Bolsheviki Foreign Minister Trotzky and M. Kameneff left Petrograd today for Brest-Litovsk to resume peace negotiations. The Bolsheviki have been charged to continue negotiations by the congress of councils of workmen's and soldiers' delegates.

Denies the Report.

London, Jan. 29.—The official Russian news agency denies that Trotzky and M. Kameneff are on their way to Brest-Litovsk. It says that Kameneff is going to Stockholm, London and Paris to inform the allies concerning the progress of negotiations.

Germany Violating Truce.

Washington, Jan. 29.—Charges that Germany is violating the Russian truce by transferring troops from the eastern to the western fronts were made today by the war department.

Four Allies Represented.

Versailles, France, Jan. 29.—Great Britain, France, Italy and the United States were represented when the supreme war council convened today. The meeting is regarded as extraordinarily important, because the plan of operations during the coming campaign is expected to come up.

German Air Raids.

London, Jan. 29.—Abut fifteen German airplanes, of which four or five reached London, took part in the first of the two air raids last night, it is officially announced. Only one raider of the second attack penetrated the city. One raider was brought down, falling in flames 10,000 feet. All three of the crew burned to death. All British pilots returned safely.

Forty-seven Killed.

London, Jan. 29.—Forty-seven persons were killed and 169 injured in last night's air raid, it is officially announced.

WOULD RELINQUISH CONTROL OF ROADS

MINORITY MEMBERS TO SUBMIT REPORT IF COMMITTEE DOES NOT RESCIND ITS ACTION.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 29.—The senate commerce commission by a vote of 7 to 6 today decided to amend the administration railway bill to provide that the government relinquish control of the railroads within one year after the end of the war. Some of the committeemen who opposed the change announced later that they would endeavor to have the committee rescind its action and if they failed they would submit minority reports.

Wrecked Chemical Plant.

Marqpette, Mich., Jan. 29.—An explosion, apparently accidental, followed by a fire wrecked the chemical department of the Pioneer Iron Company's plant here today. The loss is estimated at "over $100,000."

PANIC IN GERMANY.

Special to The Times.

London, Jan. 29.—The raid over the German industrial city of Mannheim by British airmen led to a panic among the population, said a Geneva despatch to the Daily Express today. Terror reigned supreme in Mannheim throughout Thursday night and on Friday was followed by a demonstration.

NORTH DAKOTA DAIRYMEN.

Fargo N .D., Jan. 29.—Fargo is entertaining for two days the annual convention of the North Dakota State Dairymen's association. The large attendance and the importance of the subject slated for disucssion, including various wartimem problems, combine to ggive promise of the most notable convention ever held by the association.

TWO MINERS KILLED.

By Associated Press.

McAlester, Okla., Jan. 29.—Two unidentified shot firers were killed by an explosion in the old Haily coal mine at Lute. The mine was badly wrecked.

KILLED BY ALCOHOL.

By Associated Press.

McAlester, Okla., Jan. 29.—Seven persons are dead at Francis as a result of an eggnog party Sunday which used denatured alcohol by mistake.

INCREASE OF UNREST.

Special to The Times.

Copenhagen, Jan. 29.—There was an increase in the manifestations of unrest throughout Germany over the week-end, according to information received here today. This was brought about by the halt in the Russo-German peace negotiations, the militaristic war aims of Chancellor von Hertling and the general spread of hardships, chiefly in the industrial centers.

SAILORS SHOVELED SNOW.

Special to The Times.

New York, Jan. 29.—Seventy sailors of Dutch vessels who have been in port here for some months awaiting export licenses responded to a call for 14,000 men to shovel snow from the streets of this city. They were paid 35 cents an hour and they received the work with joy as a change from their idleness aboard ship.

Notice of Dissolution.

By mutual agreement the partnership existing between F. E. Whitaker & H. L. Brennan under the style of Whitaker & Brennan has been dissolved and terminated. Any oustanding accounts against the firm should be mailed to the undersigned for adjustment.

H. L. BRENNAN.
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Prefers Chamberlain's.

"In the course of a conversation with Chamberlain Medicine Co.'s representative today," we had occasion to discuss in a general way the merits of their different preparations. At his suggestion I take pleasure in expressing my estimation of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I have a family of six children and have used this remedy in my home for years. I consider it the only cough remedy on the market, as I have tried nearly all kinds."—Earl C. Ross, Publisher Hamilton County Republican-News, Syracuse, Kan.

In Possession of Helsinfors.

Copenhagen, Jan. 29.—The Red Guard is in complete possession of Helsinfors, the capital of Finland, says a Stockholm despatch. It is not kniwn whether the Finnish government officials escaped.

Violent Italian Attack.

Berlin, Jan. 28.—The Italians launched a violent attack yesterday on the northern mountain front between Asiago and Brenta, says the official statement today.

The Italians who attacked Teuton positions in the Col Rosso region and between Frenla ravine and Brenta were thrown back by the Austrians, the war office later announced.

The Italians gained a foothold on Monte di Val Bella, but the ground later was wrested from them in a counter attack, says the statement.

Italians Attacked Heavily.

Rome, Jan. 29.—Italian troops made a heavy attack yesterday on the northern front, breaking into the enemy lines, the war office reports. Italian and allied artillery disposed of enemy reinforcements. The Italians took more than 1,500 prisoners and twelve enemy airplanes were brought down.

Drove Off Raiding Party.

London, Jan. 29.—Notable German artillery activity was reported on the Arras front. The British last night drove off a raiding party. The British patrol sent out northeast of Ypres disappeared.

Four Americans Died.

Washington, Jan. 29.—The death of four more of the expeditionary troops from pneumonia is announced.

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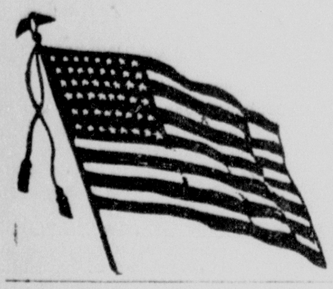
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From Monday's Daily.



PSEUDO CITIZENS.

Two things will operate during the coming years to cut down the franchise to real American citizens in Texas. One is the recent decision of the supreme court that no one is entitled to vote in Texas who is not a citizen. True, the decision referred mainly to enemy aliens, but if an enemy alien cannot take out his "second papers," and thus fulfill the "other requirements of a vote," how can a neutral or a friendly alien hope to have that privilege?

The other bar to promiscuous voting—and in effect a benefit to the real Texas citizens—is the watch that is being kept on the actions of those who attempted—many of them successfully—to evade conscription under the selective service law by claiming the status of aliens.

Hereafter any Mexican who has claimed exemption on the ground of being an alien will be guilty of fraud if he attempts to vote in any Texas election. If he has secured his franchise by declaring his intention to become a citizen of the United States, he is to all intents and purposes an American citizen so far as liability to military service is concerned. If he renounces that right by claiming exemption, he is no longer entitled to vote under the Texas constitution.

It will be remembered that a few years ago the supreme court of the United States decided that no one who had taken out first papers and failed within five years to become a citizen was entitled to the privilege of citizenship thereafter; in other words, all such persons were barred from applying for final citizenship papers.

There are men in Laredo, as well as elsewhere in the state, who took out their first papers twenty years or more ago, and who have no intention of completing the transaction into which they entered on false pretenses with the United States government. Yet previously these men have been declared legal voters in Texas under our constitution.

There is no attempt by American citizens, whether by birth or naturalization, to limit or deny the rights of Texas voters who have complied with the laws. But it certainly should not be permitted for an alien, one whose entire sympathy is with a foreign country, to vote in elections in Texas, whether that election be for the president of the United States, or merely for a school director in Laredo.

There is no hardship inflicted upon anyone in denying him a right which he denies himself. There is a legal and proper way for anyone to become a citizen of the United States, with all rights under the constitution and laws of our country.

There are many voters of the ignorant class in Laredo today who have not the slighest conception of what they swore when they took out their first papers. This is demonstrated every day, when Mexicans who have taken out their first papers insist that they are Mexican citizens and entitled to all the rights and privileges of such citizens. Many of them have applied to the Mexican consulate in this city for Mexican passports since the regulations requiring a passport for those who desired to go to and from Mexico went into effect.

If the recent campaign of investigation on the border has not resulted in anything else it has served to demonstrate who should be entitled to vote in this state. Those who voluntarily claim Mexican citizenship should not be permitted to vote at our elections. And those who claim the right to vote are certainly subject to the same duties as our citizens, whether by birth or naturalization.

It is safe to say that in the future, for at least as long as the war shall last, there will be a careful scrutiny of all presenting themselves with poll tax receipts at the polling places of Texas, claiming the right to register their choice for officials, as well as their opinion as to the laws that should govern us. And it would be well for any who are in doubt as to their status to inform themselves before they render themselves liable for an attempt at fraudulent voting.

WOMAN'S INCONSISTENCY.

Some time ago a letter was published in Victor Berger's Socialist newspaper, declaring that "an emisary of President Wilson" had visited Miss Alice Paul while she was in prison for picketing the White House and had assured her in secret that the president would secretly assist the passage of the federal amendment for woman suffrage.

The story was diebelieved by all, and by none more than by the Anti-Suffrage Association, members of which took occasion to sneer at the probability of the president supporting woman suffrage when he had previously gone on record as opposed to national suffrage.

Nothing was said by the anti-suffragists concerning the impossibility of our president conducting his negotiations in such a secret and underhanded manner, but the only stress was laid upon the improbability of his changing his mind with regard to national suffrage.

Now that the president has given his endorsement to the national suffrage amendment, the anti-suffragists are so enraged that they are willing to attribute to him any sort of motive, not to say any sort of method, and their association, of which Mrs. Robert Lansing, wife of the secretary of state, is secretary, has written a letter of apology to the "shrieking sisterhood," apologizing for having doubted their word.

It is incredible that Mr. Wilson should have carried on any secret negotiations, either through "an emissary," or in person, with the suffragists who were arrested and imprisoned for having picketing the White House. He has always done his work in the open, and if he has had cause to change his convictions with regard to the advisability of national, instead of state, suffrage, he is not the sort to send a mysterious messenger to a cell to treat with a woman, especially one whose influence in the country is doubtful.

The inconsistency of some women is shown in the attitude of the very women who are attacking suffrage. They claim a right to meddle in politics, through the detestable methods of the lobby and the private influence which have for centuries disgraced politics in all countries; they disclaim any right to vote, not only for themselves, but for the women who really want to vote; they abuse those of their sex who want to take their proper place in politics—in conventions and at the polls—and they demand the right to abuse the president of the United States because he exercises his proper privilege and changes his mind with regard to a question of public policy.

It is not the suffragist who unsexes herself by voting; it is the anti-suffragist who continues to toady to the male half of the universe and who declares that "woman loses her charm and her purity by meddling in politics," while all the time those most active in opposition to the franchise for the women of America are meddling in politics after the manner of Lucrezia Borgia and several others of the lobbyist variety.

It is not all credible to Mrs. Robert Lansing that she should impute ulterior motives to President Wilson because he is in favor of enfranchising the American women. It is not at all creditable to her and her associates that they prefer the devious methods of "secret influence"—which, after all, is no less discreditable than the work of the paid woman lobbyists—to the open and honorable vote at the polls.

The time is coming when the American woman will exercise the same free and untrammeled right to the ballot as the American man. And so far as we have seen, those who already exercise that right have cast no discredit upon the voters who granted them the privilege.

The time is passing—in America, at least—when the secret cabal, the "influence" of the woman lobbyist and the purchased vote will dominate our politics. Is it any more disgraceful for a woman to vote than it is for her to use her charms to wheedle a congressman or senator into voting in favor of something she desires?

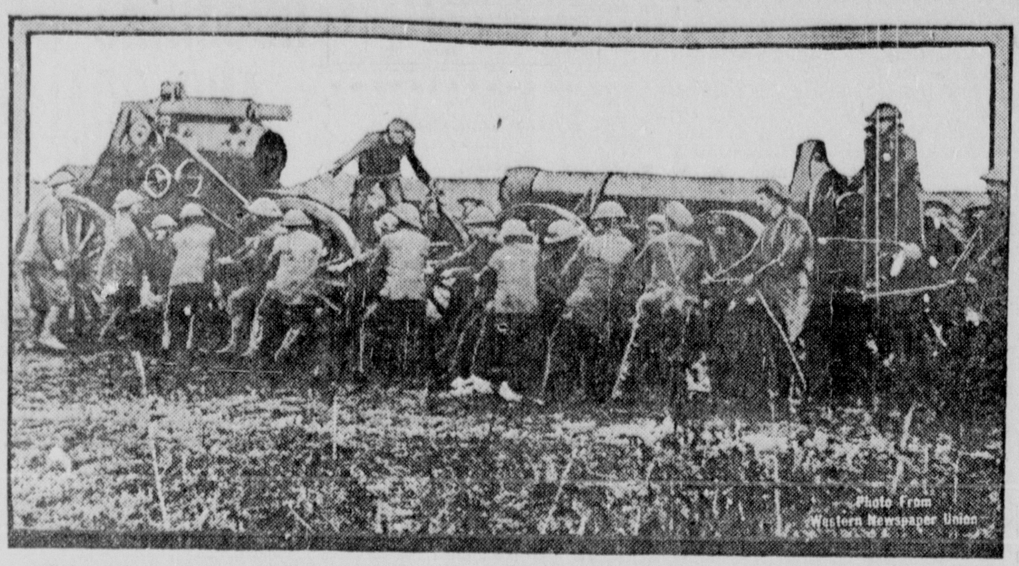
Is the right of the franchise any more disgraceful to the fair sex than the right to attain by coaxing what they cannot secure by equal privilege?

After all, it was not "bandits," in the stricter sense of the world, who attacked the American troops at El Paso. This will be a great sorrow to the "defenders of the faith" in Laredo, especially as two Mexican soldiers were killed.

Socialist Scheidemann is outspoken in denouncing militarism and says even if England and France are captured, America would still have to be conquered. And he might have added that it is beyond any power on earth to conquer us.

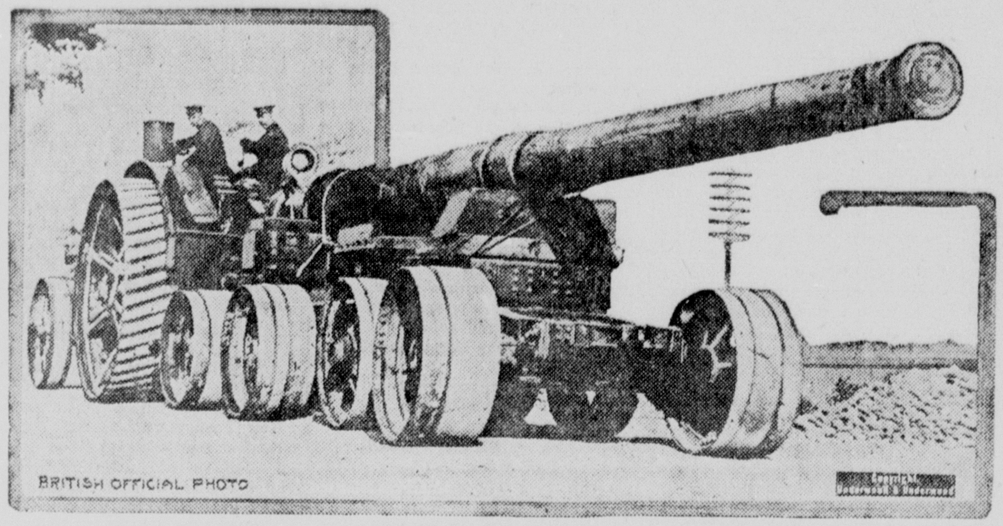
The officials of the Hamburg-American line will have to console themselves by thinking of what might have been while they are serving their prison sentences for conspiracy against Uncle Sam. It is to be hoped that they will be given enough work to do to keep them from brooding.

GETTING THE HEAVY GUNS INTO ACTION



Official photograph from the British western front showing the men moving one of the heavy guns into position o hammer the Huns.

ONE OF THE BIGGEST BRITISH GUNS IN FLANDERS



One of the greatest guns in use by the British forces being hauled along a road in Flanders, on the advance to the attack, by a tractor with tremendous power. No gun of more power has been used by any belligerent in this war.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Webb County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Webb, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

Notice of Application For Sale of Real Estate.

The State of Texas,

To all Persons interested in the Estate of Joseph McKendrick deceased, William McKendrick administrator, has filed in the County Court of Webb County, an application to sell at public or private sale the following blocks of land situated in the Western Division of the City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas, to-wit:

Blocks numbered 781, 782, 758, 760 and 581 to the highest bidder for cash which will be heard at the next term of said court, commencing the Third Monday in February, A. D. 1918, at the Court House thereof, in the City of Laredo, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court this writ, with your return thereon endorsed, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at Laredo, Texas, January 19th, A. D. 1918.

J. A. RODRIGUEZ,
Clerk Co. Court, Webb Co., Texas.

NO SUCH THING.

"I heard my boy William say the other day that your son was his alter ego."

"What a liar! My son was never anything but a good friend to him."—Baltimore American.

Stomach Troubles.

If you have trouble with your stomach you should try Chamberlain's Tablets. So many have been restored to health by the use of these tablets and their cost is so little, 25 cents, that it is worth while to give them a trial.

SALE OF VALUABLE WAREHOUSES.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution of the President and Trustees, the same being the former directors, of the Laredo Truck Growers' Co-operative Association, dissolved, adopted January 3, 1918, at a meeting of said Trustees held in Laredo, Webb County, Texas, there will be offered at public sale at the Court House loor, Laredo, Webb County, Texas, on February 5, 1918, at 10 o'clock A. M., the following described warehouses located in Webb County, exas, to-wit:

The one story, frame, composition roof building, occupied as Onion Warehouse, known as Warehouse No. 1, and situated at Johnson & Haynes Switch, on I. & G. N. Ry. Company's Right of Way in Webb County, Texas.

The one story, frame, composition roof building, occupied as Onion Warehouse, known as Warehouse No. 2, and situated on Right of Way of I. & G. N. Ry. Co., about one mile North of the above described warehouse.

The one story, frame, composition roof building, occupied as Onion Warehouse No. 3, and situated on Right of Way of I. & G. N. Co., about one-half mile North of Warehouse No. 2, the next above mentioned, in Webb County, Texas.

The one story, frame composition roof building, occupied as Onion Warehouse, known as Warehouse No. 4, and situated on Right of Way of R. G. & E. P. Ry. Co., in Webb County, Teaxs.

The one story, frame composition roof building, occupied as Onion Warehouse, known as Warehouse No. 5, being North of Warehouse No. 4, next above described in Webb County; said warehouse being situated on the Right of Way of R. G. & E. P. Ry. Co.

The one story, frame composition roof building, occupied as Onion Warehouse, known as Warehouse No. 6, and situated on Right of Way of Teaxs-Mexican Railway Co., in Laredo, Texas.

The said warehouses are situated on ground leased from the respective railway companies above mentioned.

The said warehouses shall be offered for sale separately, and the terms of sale shall be cash, to the highest bidder.

Witness our hands this 14th day of January, A. D. 1918.

Dated January 14, 1918.

ROBT. McCOMB,
Vice-President.
J. H. DAVIS,
M. M. LEYENDECKER,
L. J. CHRISTEN,
Being a Majority of the Board of Trustees.

DANGERS OF A COLD.

Laredo People Will Do Well to Heed Them.

Many bad cases of kidney trouble result from a cold or chill. Congested kidneys fall behind in filtering the poison-laden blood and backache, headache, dizziness and disordered kidney action follow. Don't neglect a cold. Use Doan's Kidney Pills at the first sign of kidney trouble. Follow this Laredo resident's example:

Carmen Zamora, 1408 Iturbide St., says: "Whenver I caught cold or did a little extra work the pain in my back got so bad I couldn't stoop over to save my life. The kidney secretions were scanty and painful in passage, too. One box of Doan's Kidney Pills, which I got from the City Drug Co., cured me and it has been some time since my back has given me any annoyance."

OVER NINE YEARS LATER Mr. Zamora said: "I have had no kidney trouble in some time and I feel confident Doan's Kidney Pills have permanently cured me."

60c, at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgrs., Buffalo N. Y.

HARD LUCK.

The French seeress who predicted the flood also predicted that the kaiser would die in England in 1930 an exile from his own land. This would give him a dozen years for repentance, but it would be tough on the British.—Bostin Transcrip.

Joints that ache, muscles that are drawn or contracted should be treated with BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It penetrates to the spot where it is needed and relieves suffering. Price 25c, 50c and $1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists. x

How About Leaving Your Old Safety Blades AT THE ROYAL CIGAR STAND

Hidalgo Street

And have us put them in first-class condition for you
We will sharpen, sterlize and hair test
1 doz. single edge blades for 25c. 1 doz. double edge blades for 35c
GIVE US A TRIAL WE GUARANTEE SATISFACTION
NOTZON BROS.

LITTLE LOCALS

—The following importations from Mexico passed through this port this morning: Two carloads of mules, sixteen carloads of ixtle, eight carloads of henequen, one carload of jarcia, one carload of bone, one carload of skins, one carload of coffee, and nine carloads of calamine.

—Home made tamales on sale Thursday, January 31, at Mrs. Puster's. Phone orders for supper to No. 537. 1-28-3t.

—Cards and favors done in water color and ink. 1717 Farragut St. 1-24-6t.

—Corporal F. D. Molina, who has been at the base hospital at Fort McIntosh the past month undergoing medical treatment, was discharged on Saturday and left on his return to Camp Bowie feeling in excellent health and ready to leave for France with the Texas troops when called.

—When wanting milk phone 356. 1-22-tf.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-tf.

—The following marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since last report: Juan Martinez and Miss Sofia Morales.

—Home made tamales on sale Thursday, January 31, at Mrs. Puster's. Phone orders for supper to No. 537. 1-28-3t.

—City Garage, tel. 515. Jitney cars. Vulcanizing. Work guaranteed. 8-11-tf.

—District court is in vacation this week in this district, the Webb county term adjourning on Saturday. Next Monday a four weeks' term of district court will convene in Dimmitt county at Carrizo Springs and following that there will be one week of court at Zapata county. On Monday, March 11, court begins here again to continue sixteen weeks.

—Texas Real Estate & Abstract Co. 1012 Farragut street. Phone 1061. Abstracts of property in Laredo and lands of Webb county. 7-19-tf.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-tf.

—Semi-annual examinations in the public schools of Laredo began this morning and will continue throughout the week. This is generally the time when the pupils have their hands full and seek to secure the best possible reports on their various studies.

—The Bellmont. Rooms and apartments. 602 Main Ave. Phone 576 or 1017. 6-20-tf.

—Only three more days remain in which to secure those poll taxes which will enable you to vote at any elections to be held in Laredo during the year 1918. From present indications there are going to be lively contests on this year for the various public offices, and of course you will want to vote for your favorites.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-t.

WHY LIBRARIANS GO CRAZY.

Scene, a public library. Enter Mrs. Brown, a pedigree hunter. "Can you tell me when William I was in America?"

Librarian—Why-e-e, that was William the Conqueror, and he never was here.

Mrs. B.—Yes, it said William I and Mary, his wife.

Librarian—There was a William and Mary College, but the Conqueror never saw it.

Mrs. B.—Well, the "History of Milltown" says William I landed in Portsmouth, N. H.

Librarian (stunned)—He lived in 1066, and America was discovered in 1492. Let me see the book.

Mrs. B. points triumphantly to a paragraph 4 in a chapter on Brown genealogy: "The Browns of Milltown are descendants of William I, who came from England to Portsmounth with his wife, Mary, and five children on the frigate Soho."—Christian Register.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Texas-Mexican.

Train No. 1 leaves for Corpus Christi at 1:20 p. m.

Train No. 3 leaves for Corpus Christi at 8:30 p. m.

Train No. 2 arrives from Corpus Christ at 2:10 p. m.

Train No. 4 arrives from Corpus Christi at 7:05 p. m.

International & Great Northern.

Through fast train for St. Louis leaves at 11:00 a. m. and arrives at 4:15 p. m.

Night Train.

Leaves at 9 p. m. and arrives at a. m.

Rio Grande & Eagle Pass.

Train No. 1 leaves Laredo daily except Sunday at 8 a. m. Arrives at Minera at 10:20 a. m.

Train No. 2 leaves Minera daily except Sunday at 1 p. m. Arrives at Laredo at 3:15 p. m.

FOR SALE

Block 1084, Eastern District
Laredo. E. DENIKE.

LAW IS APPLIED IN LAREDO AND TWO CLUBS AFFECTED

Recent Ruling of the Supreme Court Regarding Club Buffets is Now Being Enforced in This City.

In a recent decision handed down by the state supreme court in a case against the Aetna Club, a social organization of El Paso, a ruling was made that social clubs which maintained buffets in their club quarters came under the same classification as a saloon and that they must have a license taken out by some individual, paying the same fee as saloons, and observe the 9:30 and Sunday closing laws the same as saloons.

This decision has caused some interest throughout the state, as it practically applies to many of the numerous country clubs, fraternal order clubs and social organizations maintaining clubs with buffets. If the law is invoked, and it appears that it will be, every such organization in the state will suffer, especially as pertains to the "nine-thirty" closing law and the Sunday law. Very few clubs are visited by their members during the day and the members generally gather at night, beginning at about 8 or 9 o'clock and enjoy a few pleasant hours together, but with the closing of the buffets at 9:30 they will practically be much affected by the new law.

In accordance with the decision handed down by the state supreme court on the subject, District Attorney Valls on Saturday afternoon notified the Latin-American Club and the Moose Club of this city that the two organizations must comply with the state law, and accordingly the buffets in both clubs were closed down on Saturday evening and will remain closed indefinitely.

A good remedy for a bad cough is BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP. It heals the lungs and quiets irritation. Price 25c, 50c and $1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists. x

FUNERAL HELD IN THIS CITY AND IS LARGELY ATTENDED

Asherton Business Man Who Died Saturday Laid to Rest in Catholic Cemetery Sunday Forenoon.

Antonio Martinez aged 69 years, and who for a long time had been engaged in business at Asherton, passed away in that place last Saturday morning and the remains were brought to Laredo on Saturday afternoon by automobile. The funeral was held Sunday forenoon at 11 o'clock from 517 Iturbide street, with interment in the Catholic cemetery.

Deceased leaves a number of relatives in Laredo and he was well known here. The funeral was largely attended.

Soon Over His Cold.

Everyone speaks well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy after having used it. Mrs. George Lewis, Pittsfield, N. Y., has this to say regarding it: "Last winter my little boy, five years old, was sick with a cold for two or three week. I doctored him and used various cough medicines but nothing did him much good until I begun using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He then improved rapidly and in a few days was over his cold."

POST WEATHER FORECASTS AT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Invaluable Service Established to Assist Famers Against Frost Hazard in This Section.

The U. S. Weather Bureau's reports are posted daily in the window of the Laredo Chamber of Commerce. These reports are received each morning (except Sunday) from the Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company between 10:30 and 11 o'clock for the convenience of the growers of onions and other crops.

As the frost hazard is greatest at this season of the year, the farmers should watch these reports carefully from now until the middle of February. Farmers who are unable to come to the office may telephone their inquiries between 11 and 12 in the morning or in the afternoon and receive the reports. The chamber of commerce phone number is 374. This service has been established since early in January.

BETTER THAN CALOMEL

Thousands Have Discovered Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets are a Harmless Substitute.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets—the substitute for calomel — are a mild but sure laxative, and their effect on the liver is almost instantaneous. They are the result of Dr. Edwards' determination not to treat liver and bowel complaints with calomel. His efforts to banish it brought out these little olive-colored tablets.

These pleasant little tablets do the good that calomel does, but have no bad after effects. They don't injure the teeth like strong liquids or calomel. They take hold of the trouble and quickly correct it. Why cure the liver at the expense of the teeth? Calomel sometimes plays havoc with the gums. So do strong liquids. It is best not to take calomel, but to let Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets take its place.

Most headaches, "dullness" and that lazy feeling come from constipation and a disordered liver. Take Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets when you feel "loggy" and "heavy." Note how they "clear" clouded brain and how they "perk up" the spirits. 10c and 25c a box. All druggists.

From Monday's Daily.

INVESTIGATE INTO WRECK TO PLACE RESPONSIBILITY

RAILROAD OFFICIALS HELD CONFERENCE AT CORPUS CHRISTI

Rt. Rev. Bishop Nussbaum and Rev. Father Scheid of Corpus Christi Among Those Badly Injured.

The following taken from the Corpus Christi Caller of Sunday regarding the disastrous wreck near that city on Friday morning the Texas-Mexican train from Laredo to Corpus crashed into the rear of a Gulf Coast Lines train at Clarkwood, contains some interesting information:

Right Reverend Paul Nussbaum, Bishop of the Corpus Christi diocese, and Reverend John Scheid, chancellor of the diocese, as well as others who were injured in the railroad collision at Clarkwood Friday morning, were resting easy last night and the early recovery of all those injured is anticipated.

From the Spohn Sanitarium the Caller last night was advised that Bishop Nussbaum and Father Scheid were resting easy. It may be a week or ten days before they will be able to leave the sanitarium.

Officials of the Texas-Mexican Railway Company and of the Gulf Coast lines were here yesterday and during the afternoon held a conference in the private car of General Manager De Wolf of the Texas-Mexican lines. Members of the crews of the two trains that were in the collision were called to attend the conference and they gave statements as to movements during the morning of the two trains that were in the wreck.

It is said that the Gulf Coast train left Robstown at 6:55 o'clock and that the collision occurred at 7:19 o'clock, the passenger train having made the eight miles in twenty-four minutes, running about twenty miles an hour on account of the heavy fog. The accident happened just as the Gulf Coast train was starting from Clarkwood after having been flagged to take on a passenger. The Texas-Mexican mixed train crashed into the Gulf Coast train both being eastbound and both being behind their schedules. Conductor Will McLain of the Gulf Coast lines was killed.

Those injured in the wreck included Bishop Nussbaum, Father Scheid, Francis Gandy of Robstown, Elijah Coles of Houston, A. J. Freyer of San Antonio, Jack Dowling of Laredo, who was engineer of the Texas-Mexican train and Will Brooks of this city and F. B. Williams of Houston, the last two named being negro brakemen of the Gulf Coast lines. A number of others sustained slight bruises.

The funeral of Conductor McLain will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the First Methodist church, the pastor, Reverend Frank B. Buchanan, officiating. Interment will be in Rose Hill.

FEDERAL OFFICERS AWAKE AND AFTER THE SLACKERS

Seven Men Apprehended While "Beating it" to Mexico to Evade the Selective Draft Measure.

Another exodus of slackers from the country to Mexico is under way, but if these "pacifists" succeed in crossing the Rio Grande they will "have to go some" to escape the discerning eyes of the federal authorities here in the dash, and especially Deputy United States Marshal Walker, the department of justice and the immigration authorities, who are always on the job looking for these kind of men.

Alberto Ortiz and Francisco Ortiz, two brothers, who had registered last June and who answered their questionnaires and were placed in Class A, realizing that they were destined for military service, tried to beat it to Mexico after fraudulently securing Mexican passports and were caught and landed in jail with a charge of trying to evade the selective draft lodged against them. Both were born in this state. This morning they were given a preliminary hearing and held in bail of $1,000 each, which they failed to give and were remanded to jail.

Five others being held in jail on charges of trying to evade the selective draft and skip to Mexico, but were apprehended, are Amador Aguilar, F. P. Bordeau, J. Clyde Ainslie, Israel James Ostrowsky alias Ostrav and Morris Post.

THE TAIL-END STRUCK HERE LATE SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

The Predicted Severe Cold Spell Failed to Arrive, But Instead a Light Cold Spell Arrived.

The forecast published on Saturday called for cold weather here on Sunday morning, and while the "blizzard" afiled to appear on schedule time, it arrived somewhat belated late in the afternoon, the norther being accompanied by the usual duststorm.

But it proved to be nothing more than a "gentle norther," and the freezing temperature predicted failed to materialize for the mercury did not drop to anywhere near the 32-degree mark.

TIMES WANT ADS.
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SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt, Editor. Phone 76

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Monday.

The Nullos Club will meet with Mrs. W. N. Young at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Sunbeams of the Baptist Church will hold their regular weekly meeting at the church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Red Cross Surgical Room will be in charge of Mrs. W. D. Butler at 2:30 in the afternoon.

Tuesday.

Red Cross Surgical Room in charge of Mrs. H. M. Austin at 2:30 in the afternoon.

Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church will meet at the Rectory with Mrs. C. W. Cook at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Ladies Aid of the Christian church will meet with Mrs. R. A. Millar at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

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Rose of the World,
Pure Flower of Love,
Bear safe this message
To God above.

Father in Heaven,
At last we see!
No force but Love
Can make us free.

Rose of the World,
Holiest of Flowers!
Bind in close union
This broad Earth of ours.

Children of God,
Freeborn are we!
Kings may not rule,
Our world is free.

The Answer—
Soldiers of Earth,
Brave boys of Mine!
Bear ye the answer
Straight through the line.

Nations of Earth,
Make way for Me!
Such love as thine
Wins Peace for thee.
—Nida H. Hopkins.

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General Mention.

Mr. R. L. Puster has returned from a short business trip to San Antonio.

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Miss Martha Anderson, who has been attending school at Holding Institute, is now at home with her parents.

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Rev. and Mrs. Owen Hornburg arrived Saturday from Holyoke, Colorado. Mr. Hornburg is the new pastor of the Christian church. As soon as located, their address will be announced.

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Dr. and Mrs. Turpin of Santo Tomas arrived in the city Saturday. Dr. Turpin has gone to Corpus Christi for a short stay and Mrs. Turpin is the guest of Mrs. J. W. Brewster.

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Mr. E. R. Anderson has gone to Dallas on a business trip.

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Capt. Myers has returned from Shreveport, La., and Mrs. Myers has gone to Chicago, where she will stay until March.

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Mr. Clarence G. Jackson arrived on Saturday for a short visit to his family.

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Lieut. and Mrs. Edmonds are expecting Miss Sarah Harrison to be their guest.

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Miss Nan Young has returned to Encinal, after spending the week-end with Mrs. E. J. Foster.

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Announcements.

The Bishop Johnston Junior Auxiliary will meet at the residence of Mrs. R. L. Puster on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock to hold a tamale sale to raise their Easter offering.

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Mrs. Robert L. Muller will entertain the Auction Bridge Club Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

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Entertainment.

Miss Annie Pierce entertained the Girls Bridge Club very delightfully on Saturday afteroon. The time was passed in knitting and at the close of the afternoon the hostess served delicious tamales and coffee. Those present were: Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Tucker, Mrs. Cluck, Misses Belle Westbrook, Marguerite Nelson, Katherine Tarver and Esther Hirsch. The guests included Miss Bracken and Miss Jo Gray.

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Concert and Dance.

A very enjoyable time was had at the Latin-American Club last evening, the Llera Duo furnishing a delightful concert and the guests enjoying a dance after the concert. There was a large attendance and those present enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

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Busy Bees.

The Busy Bees were delightfully entertained on Saturday afternoon by Lois and Dorothy Derby with an outing to the Chacon, where a picnic supper was served. The little ladies met at the home of the hostesses and from there they proceed to the carline and rode to the Heights, where they were met by a large wagon which carried them to the Chacon. Needless to say the latter part of the journey proved the most delightful. After an hour of play was enjoyed, a time was devoted to knitting and then a delicious basket luncheon was served. Those present were: Dorothy Morton, Emilie Halsell, Rosalie Biggio, Minerva G'Sell, Anna May Mussett, Marjorie Fish, Hattie May Bryan, Evelyn Ryan, Josephine Brewster, Helen Lindsay and Doris and Lois Derby. The return was made in automobiles. The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Derby, Mrs. Biggio and Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Christen. The guests included Dan, Dick and George Derby, Harry Johnston Jr. and Sonny Biggio.

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The Post Hop.

The officers and ladies of Fort McIntosh entertained on Saturday evening with the regular weekly hop at the Thirty-seventh Infantry Club. Among those who enjoyed the pleasure of the occasion were: Misses Marguerite Nelson, Marzelle Beene, Maxime Taylor, Ruth Scratchley, Bracken, Ethel Mackin, Nan Young, Kathryn MacGregor; Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Barlow, Capt. and Mrs. Dwan, Dr. and Mrs. Marsh, Lieut. and Mrs. Wheeler, Capt. Horn, Lieut. Murray, Lieut. von Engen, Lieut. Finck, Lieut. Harris, Lieut. Colburn, Lieut. Ryan, Lieut. Carroll, Lieut. Johnson, Lieut. Groth, Lieut. Elwood and Capt. McClure.

PERSONALS

Dr. F. J. Woltman of Quincy, Illinois, arrived in Laredo Saturday to make his home and assume charge of the optical department at the store of L. Daiches, the jeweler.

BENDER:—C. C. Rowley, Houston; A. F. Main, Mexico; B. M. Hubbard, Chicago; J. M. Myrick, New York; J. E. Ferguson, Cincinnati, O.; C. McDade, Oklahoma City, Okla.; A. K. House, T. M. McClure, Chicago; Wm. F. Carroll and wife, San Luis Potosi; B. F. Palmer, E. E. Hobel, Dallas; H. P. Guerra, Jas. H. Guerra, Roma; Sid Ottenheimer, New York; Edward F. McGovern, Boston, Mass.; R. L. Bassett and wife, San Antonio; F. G. Platts, Kansas City, Mo.; W. H. Smith, Temple; W. T. Murewuther and wife, Tampico; E. G. Garwood and wife, San Antonio.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT HELPS PAY FOR BREAD

There has been much misunderstanding about the bread program in England. It is true that the Englishman buys a loaf of bread for less than an American can, but it is poorer bread, and the British government is paying $200,000,000 a year toward the cost of it.

All the grain grown in Great Britain is taken over by the government at an arbitrary price and the imported wheat purchased on the markets at the prevailing market price. This is turned over to the mills by the government at a price that allows the adulterated war bread loaf of four pounds to sell at 18 cents, the two pound loaf at 9 cents and the one pound loaf at 5 cents.

In France, under conditions somewhat similar, but with a larger extraction, the four pound loaf sells for 16 cents.

MAKING MEATLESS DAYS PERMANENT.

In the meatless menu there is a fertile field for developing new and nourishing dishes, according to E. H. Niles, writing in the Hotel Gazette, who believes that the present shortage of meat and fats will not end with the coming of peace, but may grow more acute and continue for five or six years, thus making it worth while to develop menus of grain, vegetables and fish on a more or less permanent basis. Meat can be replaced by cereals and other protein foods, or may be served in very small portions as a flavoring for other food. In making up meatless menus this author finds our American Creole and southern cuisine a broad field for investigation.

THE JANUARY FARM AND FIRESIDE.

The January Farm and Fireside is the first monthly issue of Farm and Fireside, the national farm paper, which has always been heretofore published twice a month at Springfield, Ohio. In this issue Ivan S. Rossiter, a Canadian private who was captured by the Germans, tells how it feels to be a prisoner in German hands; "When You Build Your House" is a helpful and suggestive article; "Borrowing Money From Uncle Sam" is an article which will tell you how to do so; and "Prosperity Through Planning" will show you how to boss your work. In addition, there are articles about winter dairying, housework, gardens, automobiles, farming without horses, health, beauty, and the first installment of a fine fiction story centered around a plot to injure a submarine destroyer, all of which round out an excellent issue.

BABY'S FUNERAL SUNDAY WAS LARGELY ATTENDED

Body of Infant Son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Jackson Laid to Rest With Impressive Ceremonies.

The funeral of Clarence Frederick Jackson, the three-months-old infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Jackson, who died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Lusk, 1909 W. Houston street Friday night at 10:30 o'clock, took place from the Lusk home to the city cemetery yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock and was attended by a large number of friends of the family.

Funeral services were conducted at the home by Rev. C. W. Cook of the Episcopal church, who also conducted the committal service at the grave, while the choir of the Episcopal church rendered solemn music at both the home and grave. Many beautiful floral tributes had been sent to the house of sorrow, and when the little grave was mounded with mother earth it was covered by dainty flowers, soon to wither and die like the little darling who had been taken from the home of the loved ones here on earth to that home in heaven where children are called to the eternal kingdom.

Masonic Notice.

Stated meeting of Laredo Lodge No. 547 A. F. & A. M. tonight at 8 p. m. All brethren invited to attend.

J. L. DANNELLEY, W. M.

SPORT CHATTER.

The Bethlehem soccer team seems to have unearthed a genuine star in Ratigan, their center forward, who hails from St. Louis.

The midwinter golf tournament at Pinehurst this year was not attended by so many prominent players as in former years.

Billiard enthusiasts proclaim Walker Cochran, Chicago's youthful cue artist, as the future contender for Willie Hoppe's crown.

Coach Hughey Duffy of the Harvard baseball squad has notified the Crimson pastimers to report for practice in the cage Feb. 11.

Toledo is to have Grand Circuit racing this year, and famous Readville, Mass., track will also stage a big line meeting, the first in several seasons.

Johnny Griffiths, the Akron boxer, is to try his hand at refereeing, having been licensed by the Akron boxing commission.

'Tis said that Manager McGraw has a goodly number of his Giants in line for next season, and no real holdouts among those of his pastimers who have not yet signed.

Jack Dempsey, the California heavyweight, is to be given a chance at the winner of the Jack Dillon-Homer Smith bout scheduled for Ft. Wayne, Ind., Jan. 31.

Word drifted out of Maine the other day that George Lablanc, the old-time fighter known as "the Marine," has been seriously hurt while chopping wood in the Maine forests.

The Eastern baseball league has decided to get into the running again the coming season. A while back it was feared that the old circuit had gone on the rocks.

Ed Konetchy, the Braves' first baseman, is one ball player willing to take a cut in salary. Ed has been drawing down $8,000 per from the Braves, and no doubt is able to stand a salary pruning.

Several major league club owners favor Charlie Comiskey's plan to send the two pennant winning big league teams to France and England as soon as the war is over.

While it has been denied in some quarters that President Frazee paid $60,000 in cash for Schang, Bush and Struck of the Athletics, the Red Sox owner is emphatic in asserting that the figures are correct.

Sol Matzger is out as football coach of Washington and Jefferson, the University having returned to the graduate coaching system. But as Sol is now in Uncle Sam's service he is not worrying over football matters.

THE FEBRUARY WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION.

Ida Tarbell has written a fine article called "Patriotic Buying" for the February Woman's Home Companion. It points out how much could be saved by sensible ordering and elimination of deliveries by the stores. "The High Cost of Beauty" is the story of a beauty parlor of Fifth Avenue, New York, as told to Corinne Lowe; Mary Heaton Vorse writes about "The Perfect Young Person"; and there is an interesting article about Better Films in your town.

The fiction is fine this month, starting off with the first part of a new novel by Mark Lee Luther called "The Hope Chest." It will be concluded next month. Other stories are by Elizabeth Jordan, Nancy Gunter Boykin, and Mary Cutting.

Every department maintains its usual high standard and the fashions, pictures, cooking, and all the others having interesting and instructive material.

BY TITIAN MAYBE.

Mrs. Newrich—Me and John have had our portraits painted by four American artists and not one of them is satisfactory. After the war we intend to go abroad and see what the old masters can do.—Exchange.

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REPLIES IN DETAIL TO CHAMBERLAIN'S SPEECH BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE

Secretary Baker Told Why French and British Artillery was being Used by American Troops and Said Enough Rifles were Ready for All Who were Acquainted with Their Use in American Army.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Secretary Baker, replying to Senator Chamberlain's charges of inefficiency in the war department at the public hearing before the senate military committee today, said there were more than a million men under arms in this country, referring to the cases of alleged neglect of the dead cited in Mr. Chamberlain's speech.

The secretary said that where deficiencies were disclosed they had been promptly modified, that they were the exception rather than the rule, and that the magnitude of America's undertaking made errors of judgment likely. France and Great Britain, he said, are supplying artillery to the American forces because they wished to do so, because they had an excess on hand and wished to save the ships for more vital necessities. Thirty-two divisions of national guards and national army troops in camp in the United States, more than one million in all, are considered ready for overseas service whenever it is decided to send them. The secretary said that every American soldier who can use a rifle has already been provided with one and the rate of manufacture assures a steady supply as troops become ready to use them. The Lewis machine guns, he said although they have been ordered are not being used for land troops because Gen. Pershing desires them for only airplane work. He said France and Great Britain are prepared to furnish machine guns for the land forces until the American supplies arrive, and wish to do so.

DISTURBANCES ARE COMMON IN GERMANY

TROOPS WITH MACHINE GUNS ORDERED TO SUPPRESS REVOLTS NEAR COLOGNE.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 28.—Reports of disturbances in Germany are again current in Holland and several outbreaks are said to have been occurred in the Rheinisch industrial districts. Troops with machine guns have been ordered to Muelkheim on the Rhine, opposite Cologne, but there are no details.

Revolution in Finland.

Stockholm, Jan. 28.—The long-threatened revolution in Finland is proceeding in the eastern provinces, according to despatches to Harapanda, forwarded here. The Russian Red Guard is reported to have occupied the railway station at Helsingfors. Sharp fighting has taken place at Viborg. Russian soldiers are said to be aiding the Red Guard, and reinforcements are reported sent from Petrograd.

Cunard Steamer Sunk.

London, Jan. 28.—The Cunard steamer Andania reported yesterday torpedoed but not sunk went to the bottom, despite efforts to get her into port, according to information reaching the Associated Press today.

American Boat Ashore.

Washington, Jan. 28.—An American patrol boat went ashore on a rock January 25 in European waters, it was reported to the navy department. There was no loss of life or injury to the crew. The vessel probably will have to be abandoned.

Steamship Cork Torpedoed.

London, Jan. 28.—The steamship Cork has been torpedoed and seven passengers and five members of the crew were lost.

BOMBS ON LA TOURAINE.

Special to The Times.

New York, Jan. 28.—Hermann Ebling, testifying in the trial of Franz Rinteling and a dozen others accused of conspiracy to sink steamers, said the plotters placed bombs on the steamer La Touraine. The bombs exploded, but the liner reached France.

FARMERS HOLD POTATOES.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 28.—America's record potato crop of 4,425,036,000 bushels is only one-third marketed, according to the United States department of agriculture. Measures are recommended to bring the potatoes to market, lest a vast waste result.

ADOPTING FRENCH CITIES.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 28.—A plan has been launched by which French villages which have been partially ruined by the destructive bombardment by the enemy will be restored by American cities. Thus, Noyon has been adopted by Washington, Soissons by Detroit and Rheims by Chicago, etc. The first attempt will be made to raise money to purchase building material. The work is to extend over central and northern France, to relieve the congestion in the south, which has not fared so badly.

J. J. Haynes Very Sick.

The Times is sorry to announce that Mr. James J. Haynes is seriously ill with pneumonia at his home No. 1704 aMtamoros street.

The liver loses its activity at times and needs help. HERBINE is an effective liver stimulant. It also purifies the bowels, strengthens digestion and restores strength, vigor and cheerful spirits. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists. x

Hello Bill!

Tonight is regular meeting night of Laredo Lodge No. 1018 B. P. O. E. and a full attendance of members is urged.

G. R. WEBER, Sec'y.

Court Refused Delay.

Washington, Jan. 28.—The supreme court today, by declining a rehearing of the case and ordering a mandate issued at once, refused a delay in carrying out the sentences of Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman, convicted of conspiring to violate the draft law.

Second Heatless Monday.

New York, Jan. 28.—Industry in New York halted again today on the second of the heatless and lightless Mondays ordered by the fuel administration. The New York stock exchange closed today, as well as many banking institutions of the financial district.

To Expedite Appeal.

Washington, Jan. 28.—The supreme court agreed today to expedite the appeal in the proceedings brought by the Associated Press to prevent pirating of news by the International News Service. April 15 was fixed for the hearing of arguments.

REPLACE MILITARY OFICERS.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Major General Goethals is reorganizing the quartermaster general's office. Military officers are being replaced by civilian business men. Obtaining soldiers' clothing is now the task of A. L. Scott, while distributing them is entrusted to R. J. Thorne and embarcation to T. A. Tilly. All of these men are highly experienced.

REGISTRATION NEXT WEEK OF GERMAN ALIEN ENEMIES

Chief of Police Brennan Will Serve as Chief Registrar and Registration Will Continue During Week.

Deputy United States Marshal Allen Walker is in receipt of a letter from United States Marshal Herring at Houston enclosing him copies of the regulations for the registration of German alien enemies in Laredo, the registration to be carried out in this city under the supervision of Chief of Police M. Brennan at the police station on February 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.

This is done upon instructions from Attorney General Gregory, as it is regarded that in cities of over 5,000 inhabitants the only manner in which the object so desired can be accomplished is through the police department.

Relative to the registration, particular attention is directed to the following: Persons Required to Register: All natives, citizens, denizens or subjects of the German empire, or imperial German government, being males of the age of fourteen years or upwards who are within the United States and not actually naturalized American citizens are required to register as alien enemies.

HEAVY SNOW STORM IN PENNSYLVANIA

WORST TIE-UP OF RAILROAD IN YEARS AND FREIGHT SERVICE ENTIRELY STOPPED.

By Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Jan. 28.—The biggest snowstorm of the winter has caused the worst tie-up of the Pennsylvania road in years. Trains were stalled all along the line and four fast freight trains were blocked in the mountains.

Freight Service Stopped.

New York, Jan. 28.—Freight service in the anthracite regions was entirely stopped by the storm, according to the statement of National Director of Railroads Smith.

NAMED WOMEN DEPUTIES.

Special to The Times.

New York, Jan. 28.—The county clerk has appointed two women as deputies, being the first of six named to that rank for full official powers, who will have charge of the issuance of naturalization papers.

THRIFT STAMPS AS TIPS.

Special to The Times.

New York Jan. 28.—War thrift savings stamps are ousting small coins as tips to bell boys, waiters, barbers, etc. Head waiters are accepting thrift certificates for $4.12, redeemable in 1923 at $5, in lieu of the usual bill for choice tables or special service.

WOMEN FEEL SUPERIOR TO MEN

Mary Heaton Vorse has a very sensible article in the February Woman's Home Companion in which she says some things which every young girl ought to read. She says in part:

"The spectacle of the superior young female is a laughable one, but it is far more tragic than it is laughable, for nothing so seals spirit hermetically from anything that one may learn from another than a calm belief in one's own excellence.

"It is this early belief in woman's intrinsic moral superiority that is truly poisonous to any real growth. It makes it possible for women to be mischievous tale-bearers but yet never repeat a malicious remark without the noble gesture of one performing a painful duty.

"Feeling superior never yet made anyone superior, but quite the contrary. Is it not about time to admit that we are made very much of the same material as our men-folks, and to teach this to our young girls? That, while life develops us differently, on the whole it asks rather more of men? It is also good to teach girls that the same thing that develops a man's character also develops a woman's and that while want and overwork thwart humankind, lack of responsibility, and idleness, breed limited, imperfect human beings."

EXPLAINED.

"I wonder why they don't put the Stars and Strips on our stamps?"

"Why, every tongue would be against the act of exposing our National colors to a licking."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

RETURNING CIVILIANS.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 28.—A distressing situation exists on the Swiss border, where civilian prisoners officered by Germans are being returned at the rate of 1,000 daily.

THE SAILOORS ALSO.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 28.—The crews of all American merchant ships plying the Atlantic coast and Gulf ports will be included under the special Hooverized ration class for beef, pork and wheat. An extension of the same program is expected to the Pacific coast in the near future.

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From Tuesday's Daily.

WAR AND POLITICS.

While the president is opposed to the establishment of a war council to handle military and naval matters, we do not believe, as does the Texas Republic, that he is in any way actuated by a desire to make political capital for a coming presidential election. In the first place, we do not believe Mr. Wilson has any more than a natural desire to carry on what he has so successfully done for months past, and in the second place, he is convinced of the futility of attempting to secure a third term nomination, even if he were so inclined.

For a body of men to attempt to settle the war policies with which the president is charged by our constitution would be to invite confusion and perhaps disaster. No other president we have ever had, not even Lincoln, with the problems of the Civil War to depress and disturb him, has ever been confronted with the difficulties which Mr. Wilson is facing with serene front and undisturbed mind.

We have never before had so effective an army raised within so short a time. The business of war has become as scientific nowadays as the conduct of any other concern. The difficulty was to get congress to pass laws permitting the conscription of a certain percentage of our young manhood, and then the duty of handling that machine and perfecting it devolved by law upon the president.

It is true that many senators and congressmen have attempted at times to usurp some of them perhaps with the idea of relieving his burdens and others with the desire of self-aggrandizement. But so far they have failed.

We have not only secured a greater army than was ever before known in this country, but we have trained the officers who in former times were appointed for the amount of political control they could secure and for their social and financial importance.

We now have the spectacle of many wealthy society leaders serving as privates under their former employes, and of railroad men, machinists, chauffeurs, clerical workers and college students wearing the insignia of commissioned officers, not because of their former standing in civil life, or even because of their previous attainments, but because they went to work and earned their appointments.

We see the men of a great army safeguarded from dissipation of all sorts; surrounded by all the moral influences with which we have not always surrounded even the children in the primary grades in our public schools; taught the lessons of self-restraint, as well as of military discipline, and promoted before they have ever smelt the battle smoke simply because they have convinced their superiors that they were worthy of promotion.

We have been told that he who ruleth himself is greater than he who taketh a city, and certain it is that the army commanded by our commander-in-chief, the president of the United States, is a better army—morally, mentally and physically—than any other army that ever prepared to face physical foes.

To ask the president to step aside or relinquish any of his lawful prerogatives, as well as his lawful duties, would be to cast discredit upon what he has already done. Lincoln once said, in his homely though apposite way, that "it is dangerous to swap horses in the middle of a stream." We have not yet reached the other bank, and the tried and satisfactory animal would certainly be better left to bear the burden than to try a team, whether four abreast or in tandem.

There is no positive certainty that any three or five or any other number of men would always agree on the best thing to do. We have already seen that even the president's advisers are not always able to agree with him, in which case he thanks them and—does what he thinks best.

And if he had to be subordinated to a war council chosen by congress, how long does anyone think it would be before the split occurred? Let congress attend to its own duties and let the president run his own affairs.

WAKING UP.

The people of Mexico are waking up—some of them, at least—to the fact that the United States is their best friend and not their worst enemy, as so many anti-Americans have attempted to tell them. It may be that the scarcity of foodstuffs has some effect in bringing about this new belief, or it may be the knowledge that the allies are going to win in the present war is influencing many who have previously been pro-German in their leanings to take the opposite course.

For some months past a Mexican journalist, a notorious "trimmer" who makes his living by adopting first one side and then the other, according as the pay is superior to what he has been getting, has been attempting in his paper, "El Democrata," to influence the Mexicans against the United States and in favor of Germany.

For a while, according to a local Mexican paper, he had a correspondent in Laredo, but the latter left here some time ago when he was notified to appear before the local exemption board and show cause why he should not be drafted into the United States army.

The "Universal," the one important anti-German newspaper of Mexico City, and which has been a determined opponent of the "Democrata" campaign from its very inception, reproduces a "news" item which recently appeared in the German organ with a Laredo date line, and which read as follows:

"The United States government has invited the governments of Canada and Cuba to join in an armed intervention in Mexico, with the object of taking the ports of Vera Cruz, Tampico and Progreso and thus assure the defense of the Gulf of Mexico against a supposed German submarine incursion. This invitation was made to Cuba in view of the fact that it is the only way in which that Republic can aid the allies, as it cannot send forces to Europe because of the uprising which such a determination would cause. The American government has menaced Cuba with a suspension of the shipment of foodstuffs in case that country refuses to aid in this project."

It is perfectly conceivable, as "El Universal" says, that the item was not sent from Laredo, but was made up in the home office of "El Democrata." It would not be the first time that "news" was invented and given to the public of Mexico without the slightest foundation in fact.

It is interesting to note that the Mexican newspapers, "the stormy petrels" of journalism, are beginning to take the right side of the controversy, even though it be only because of self-interest. It proves that even those who have heretofore been troubled with an itching palm are beginning to see that the best interests of Mexico, as well as their own, lie in preserving peace between our country and the strife-torn republic to the south, and that Germany can never be anything more than a prodigal paymaster and a false friend.

That the editor of the "Democrata" will be punished, as is suggested by his opponent, is hardly likely. There have been attacks on the very government of Mexico that have gone on immune from punishment, for one reason or other, and it does not seem to be to the interest of the Mexican government to prevent, much less punish, attacks on the Washington administration.

Of course, such a proposition as that quoted in the German organ could not bear the light of day. It is too absurd for any intelligent persons to even consider for a moment. Canada is too much occupied with her own affairs to lend herself to such a scheme, and she is too far away to make it available, even should she be so disposed. And Cuba naturally would not for a moment consider a proposition to attack Mexico, a country allied to her by ties of common origin and speech, as well as common interests.

The German agents will have to think up a new sort of lie with which to interest the Mexican people. Not even the most ignorant pelado would rise to such a bait, and just now Juan Gomez et al are too much interested in getting the necessities of life to be willing to start another revolution.

After all, there is hope for the Mexicans who are living in the neighborhood of Tampico. A German has discovered a way to make "cooking oil" from crude petroleum. We forgot to state, however, that most of those who used it died.

The second workless, heatless and lightless Monday came to New York yesterday, with even the stock exchange and some of the Wall street banks closing. But of course if no one is working and earning money, of what use is a exchange?

Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman must begin serving their sentence at once, the supreme court having refused a rehearing or a delay. We should like to see them sent to the Texas penitentiary. Their crime was too severe for the comparatively mild punishment of a federal prison.

INSULTED AMERICAN FLAG AND SKIPPED FOR MEXICO

But Like the Cat, He Came Back, the Officers Nabbed Him and he is Now in Jail Facing Serious Charge.

Constable Eduardo Herrera and Immigration Inspector M. G. Delling arrived in Laredo yesterday afternoon from the mines, having in custody a prisoner named Rafael Mendez, charged with desecrating the American flag. Mendez is a young man, a native of Mexico, and was formerly employed as a miner at the coal mines at Dolores.

On the big Mexican holiday, "El 16 de Septiembre," 1917, Mendez is alleged to have insulted the American flag when, on going to a place at Joyce, near Dolores, that had been elaborately decorated for the occasion in the flags of the United States and Mexico, he pulled down an American flag, tore it into strips and cast the remnants to the floor with vile utterances. He must have immediately realized the gravity of the offense, for he disappeared instantly and had never been seen or heard from until Sunady last, when he appeared near the scene of his indiscreet and insulting act and the officers, who had been patiently awaiting his return, nabbed him and turned him over to the federal authorities here and he is now in the county jail here.

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FINDS WORK FOR CRIPPLES IN HIS FACTORY



This photograph shows Francis W. Mack—in center—with a number of the cripples whom he employs in his carriage bolt factory in Philadelphia. He prefers to have crippled men and boys and advertises for them in the daily papers.

NOTABLE BIRTHDAY TODAY.

JANUARY 29.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., son and heir of the Standard Oil magnate, enters upon his forty-fifth year today, having been born Jan. 29, 1874, in Cleveland, Ohio. As a man born to the control of huge wealth, Mr. Rockefeller has had a rather simple and old-fashioned bringing up, under religious and moral instruction of the older evangelical type. He was sent to Brown University for his college education, and graduated with the respect of the student body. Put immediately at work learning the intricacies and methods of the great corporate maze from which both he and his father derive the most of their income, he succeeded there. More than most men of his class, he has shown an interest in religion and in humanitarian causes, and as a consequence has had much to do with deciding on the policies of the large althruistic foundations which his father has founded. He is generally conceded to have sincere interest in solving the industrial problems of his time in an equitable way.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Texas-Mexican.

Train No. 1 leaves for Corpus Christi at 1:20 p. m.

Train No. 3 leaves for Corpus Christi at 8:30 p. m.

Train No. 2 arrives from Corpus Christ at 2:10 p. m.

Train No. 4 arrives from Corpus Christi at 7:05 p. m.

International & Great Northern.

Through fast train for St. Louis leaves at 11:00 a. m. and arrives at 4:15 p. m.

Night Train.

Leaves at 9 p. m. and arrives at 8 a. m.

Rio Grande & Eagle Pass.

Train No. 1 leaves Laredo daily except Sunday at 8 a. m. Arrives at Minera at 10:20 a. m.

Train No. 2 leaves Minera daily except Sunday at 1 p. m. Arrives at Laredo at 3:15 p. m.

Masonic Notice.

Called meeting of Laredo Lodge No. 547 A. F. & A. M. tonight at 8 p. m. Work in F. C. degree. All visiting brethren invited to attend.

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30c and 60c jars; hospital size $2.50.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Webb County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Webb, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

Notice of Application For Probate of Will.

The State of Texas,

To all Persons interested in the Estate of Eulalia Vela Vda. de Flores deceased, Regulo Flores executor, has filed in the County Court of Webb County, an application for the probate of the last will and testament of Eulalia Vela Vda. de Flores deceased, and for letters testamentary which will be heard at the next Term of said court, commencing the Third Monday in February, A. D. 1918, at the Court House thereof, in the City of Laredo, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court this writ, with your return thereon endorsed, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Laredo, Texas, this 21st day of Jan. A. D. 1918.

J. A. RODRIGUEZ,
Clerk Co. Court, Webb Co., Texas.
By C. R. MOLINA, Deputy.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

JANUARY 29.

1717—Sir Jeffrey Amherst, who commanded the British forces in the war against the French in America, born. Died Aug. 3, 1797.

1820—Accession of King George IV of England.

1840—Captain Hobson, the first governor, landed in New Zealand.

1843—William McKinley, twenty-fifth President of the United States, born at Niles, O. Died at Buffalo, Sept. 14, 1901.

1856—Order of the Victoria Cross instituted by Queen Victoria.

1867—President Johnson vetoed the Compromise bill for the admission of Nebraska.

1895—North German Lloyd liner Elbe sunk in collision in North Sea, with loss of several hundred lives.

1896—The main body of the Cuban insurgent army was defeated, with heavy loss, at St. Lucia.

1904—Demand was made by the Thibet authorities that the English expedition be withdrawn.

1905—The airship "California Arrow" flew 45 miles at Los Angeles.

THE WAR:—

1915—Royal decree called Italian troops to the colors.

1916—Twenty-four persons reported killed in a Zeppelin raid on Paris.

1917—Germans under the Crown Prince delivered a heavy blow at Verdun, capturing the French positions on Hill 304.

Soon Over His Cold.

Everyone speaks well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy after having used it. Mrs. George Lewis, Pittsfield, N. Y., has this to say regarding it: "Last winter my little boy, five years old, was sick with a cold for two or three week. I doctored him and used various cough medicines but nothing did him much good until I begun using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He then improved rapidly and in a few days was over his cold."

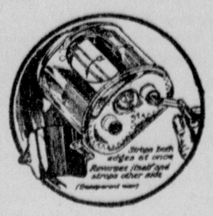
AMERICAN AMBULANCES ON THE MARNE FRONT



In long trains that stretch as far as the eye can reach the cars of the American ambulance field service speed along the roads in France. Here a train attached to the French service is seen moving along the road to a base on the Marne front.

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J. J. HAYNES DOING NICELY AT HIS HOME IN THIS CITY

Ill With an Attack of Pneumonia, But Attending Physician Says Condition of Patient is Improved.

The condition of Mr. James J. Haynes, who was stricken ill with an attack of pneumonia on last Thursday morning, is reported as improved by the attending physician and there are good chances of his recovery soon.

Mr. Haynes was stricken with a chill just after arising from his bed Thursday morning at his home, 1704 Matamoros street, and medical aid was immediately summoned. His many friends hope to soon greet Mr. Haynes on the streets in his usual health.

Notice to Tax-payers.

Your attention is called to the fact that you must pay your state and county taxes on or before January 31st if you want to avoid the penalty fixed by law. My office in the county court house is open from 9 a. m. to 12 m. and from 2 to 5 p. m.

H. LIGARDE,
County Tax Collector.
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Notice to the Public.

Beginning on the 1st of February I am compelled to raise the price of milk to 20c a quart, 60c a gallon.

M. A. HARPER,
1-29-3t.

DIZZY SPELLS

Relieved After Taking Two Bottles Of Cardui, Says Tennessee Lady.

Whitwell, Tenn.—Mrs. G. P. Cartwright, of this place, writes: "About four years ago the dizzy spells got so bad that when I would start to walk I would just pretty near fall. I wasn't past doing my work, but was very much run-down.

I told my husband I thought Cardui would help me, as a lady who lived next door to me had taken a great deal, and told me to try it. This was when we were living in Kentucky.

My husband got me a bottle and I took it according to directions. It helped me so much that he went back and got me another bottle. I got a whole lot better and just quit taking it. I got over the dizzy spells...I took no other medicine at that time nor since for this trouble. No, I've never regretted taking Cardui.

I felt just fine when I finished the second bottle."

Purely vegetable, mild and gentle in its action, Cardui, the woman's tonic, may be the very medicine you need. If you suffer from symptoms of female troubles, give Cardui a trial. All druggists. NC-129

TROUBLE COST HER A THOUSAND DOLLARS

WAS CONFINED TO HER HOME FOR FOUR YEARS—GOES TO MOVIES NOW AND ENJOYS LIFE.

"When my friends and neighbors see me going out to the movies with my daughters and enjoying life once more they tell me they can hardly believe I am the same bed-ridden woman they have known me to be for the last four years," said Mrs. G. A. Andrews, of 6007 Missouri Street, El Paso, Texas, the other day.

"I was laid up for more than four years with rheumatism so I was unable to leave my house, and fully half the time I lay flat of my back in bed unable to move. My body and limbs were so swollen they seemed to be twice their natural size and my face was puffed up so I could hardly see. My back hurt all the time and I could lie on neither side with comfort. My kidneys gave me no end of trouble, my head ached all the time like it would burst and my feet and finger tips tingled like they were asleep. My nerves were all on edge so I would go all to pieces at any little noise and what little sleep I got didn't do me any good. My appetite failed and I got so I had to force myself to eat enough to keep me alive.

"I had spent all of a thousand dollars trying to get well, but nothing did me any good and I was about to give up hope when I heard of Tanlac. I was actually amazed to find I mas getting better from the first few doses. I have taken three bottles so far and the swelling has entirely disappeared. My nerves are all right and I can sleep all night with comfort. I am so hungry I can hardly eat enough to satisfy my appetite and I have so much life and energy I want to keep on the go all the time. I help with the housework and the sewing and I signed my name today for the first time in four years. I could not have believed it possible for any medicine to do so much good in so short a time as Tanlac has done for me."

Tanlac is sold in Laredo by Windrow Drug Co. (Adv.)

For Itching Torture

There is one remedy that seldom fails to stop itching torture and relieve skin irritation and that makes the skin soft, clear and healthy.

Any druggist can supply you with zemo, which generally overcomes all skin diseases. Acne, eczema, itch, pimples, rashes, blackheads, in most cases give way to zemo. Frequently, minor blemishes disappear overnight. Itching usually stops instantly. Zemo is a safe, antiseptic liquid, clean, easy to use and dependable. It costs only 35c; an extra large bottle, $1.00. It will not stain, is not greasy or sticky and is positively safe for tender, sensitive skins.

The E. W. Rose Co., Cleveland, O

From Wednesday's Daily.

LITTLE LOCALS

—Remember the Thrift Stamp Card Party, Friday afternoon, at 3:30, old Latin-American Club Rooms, Auspices Woman's Club. Admission 50c.

—The condition of Mr. J. J. Haynes is reported much improved today. Deputy Sheriff M. G. Benavides is also reported getting along nicely.

—Home made tamales on sale Thursday, January 31, at Mrs. Puster's. Phone orders for supper to No. 537. 1-28-3t.

—District Clerk Ochoa announces that he is now ready to issue jury scrip and asks that all those who have any scrip due them to please call at his office and get same.

—Four out of six Mexican women arrested by the police department on Monday night, were yesterday arraigned before the police court and the decision reached was that they must shake Laredo dust off their heels and leave for other parts. They were given until tonight to leave town. City Marshal Brennan says he is going to enforce the law against undesirable women.

—Cards and favors done in water color and ink. 1717 Farragut St. 1-24-6t.

—When wanting milk phone 356. 1-22-tf.

—Come Friday to the Thrift Stamp Card Party and bring your knitting if you do not care for cards. "Pay As You Enter" 50c and get a Thrift Card with Stamp attached.

—The weather this morning early had a slight wintry touch to it, but the atmosphere was not of the severe kind experienced here lately. What is needed here mostly just now is a good old-fashioned rain to restore the soil to its normal condition and then springtime would find it in excellent shape and the country would soon be carpeted with a cloak of verdure; in fact, a good rain just now would make everybody feel better.

—**Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office.** 10-11-tf.

—Don't forget to pay your poll taxes by midnight tomorrow or you will be deprived of the privilege of voting at any elections to be held this year. There is a big rush on to get poll taxes today and the indications are that there will be crowds on hand for this purpose until midnight tomorrow at the offices of the city and county tax collectors.

—Home made tamales on sale Thursday, January 31, at Mrs. Puster's. Phone orders for supper to No. 537. 1-28-3t.

—The JITNEY BOND—IT HAS COME TO STAY! Have you one? If not, let us start you on your way. Come Friday to our party at old Latin-American Club Room, bring us 50c and see what happens. Woman's Club.

—**City Garage, tel. 515. Jitney cars. Vulcanizing. Work guaranteed.** 8-11-tf.

—Jose Camara, a Spaniard who was residing at Toluca, Mexico, has had Article 33 applying to pernicious foreigners applied to him and expelled from Mexico, arriving here this morning. He was evicted as the result of a trick played on him by a government official who took exception to the presentation of a bill for booze due Camara.

—**Texas Real Estate & Abstract Co. 1012 Farragut street. Phone 1061. Abstracts of property in Laredo and lands of Webb county.** 7-19-tf.

—**Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office.** 6-5-tf.

—The following importations from Mexico passed through the port of Laredo today: One carload of hides, one carload of bones, two carloads of garlic, fifteen carloads of ixtle, two carloads of henequen, one carload of rubber, one carload of iron, one carloal of antimony, eleven carloads of calamine and fourteen carloads of lead.

—**The Bellmont. Rooms and apartments. 602 Main Ave. Phone 576 or 1017.** 6-20-tf.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-t.

—The following marriage licenses have been issued by the county clerk since last report: Serafin Sanchez and Miss Aurora Leal, John Urh and Miss Nora Johnson.

—**If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials.** 1-9-tf.

GOTHAM SCHOOLS CUT OUT GERMAN.

New York, Jan. 30.—Study of foreign languages in the elementary schools of New York city will be discontinued after tomorrow, in accordance with a recent decision of the board of education. While applying equally to all languages, German will be affected chiefly, since about 65 per cent of the children in the elementary grades studying foreign tongues have been taking German courses.

THIS IS THE PROPER TIME TO BEGIN PLANTING TREES

Pruning and Planting is the Order of the Day in This Portion of Texas at This Season of Year.

This is the season of the year when both pruning and planting of shade and ornamental trees is the order of the day, as the sap is down now and it is the ideal time for trimming trees, transplanting or planting them, and when warm weather sets in in the springtime the plants will be in excellent condition for attaining a sturdy growth.

For many years past it has been a custom among the people of Southern Texas to designate Saint Valentine's Day and Washington's Birthday anniversary, February 14 and 22 respectively, as the ideal time for tree planting, for by the latter date winter is supposed to be waning and springtime will soon begin. There is nothing that gives a home premises a more attractive and inviting appearance than shade and ornamental trees and shrubbery, and all those who have yards bare of trees or shrubs should arrange now to get them and plant them out during the month of February.

W.S.S.
WAR SAVINGS STAMPS
ISSUED BY THE
UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT

THE RUSH IS IN FULL BLAST MANY GETTING POLL TAXES

OOffices of Both City and County Tax Collectors Will Be Kept Open Until Midnight Tomorrow Night.

Tomorrow is the last day on which the city and county tax collectors will issue poll tax receipts which will entitle holders thereof to vote at any elections to be held in Laredo and Webb county during the year 1918. There are a number of interesting contests to be pulled off here this year both in the city and county, while state and district officials will also be elected at the general election to be held in November.

For a time interest lagged in the matter of paying poll taxes, but the last two days have witnessed a veritable rush at the offices of the city tax collector in the city hall and the county tax collector at the courthouse, and the indications are that the rush now on will continue until the time when the offices close tomorrow night, as on the final night the tax collectors will give the belated ones until the last moment to take out their poll taxes, which is midnight of January 31st.

MORE LAREDO BOYS ANSWER TO CALL FROM "OVER THERE"

Guy Trout in Aviation Service, and Stewart Glazbrook and Fred Netzer With the U. S. Engineers.

Three Laredo young men who are under the draft age of 21 years, have answered their country's call and are now in two important branches of service. Guy Trout has enlisted in the United States Aviation Corps and is temporarily stationed at the aviation school of the University of Texas at Austin, while Fred Netzer and Stewart Glazbrook are members of the U. S. Engineers.

This information was conveyed in a letter written by Guy Trout to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Trout of this city. Guy was an instructor at the ground school of the aviation department of the University of Texas and made an excellent record, and now he has enlisted as a pilot in the U. S. Aviation Corps and expects to see service "over there," though he will remain at Austin until some time in March.

Notice to the Public.

Beginning on the 1st of February I am compelled to raise the price of milk to 20c a quart, 60c a gallon.

M. A. HARPER,
1-29-3t.

DANGERS OF A COLD.

Laredo People Will Do Well to Heed Them.

Many bad cases of kidney trouble result from a cold or chill. Congested kidneys fall behind in filtering the poison-laden blood and backache, headache, dizziness and disordered kidney action follow. Don't neglect a cold. Use Doan's Kidney Pills at the first sign of kidney trouble. Follow this Laredo resident's example:

Carmen Zamora, 1408 Iturbide St., says: "Whenver I caught cold or did a little extra work the pain in my back got so bad I couldn't stoop over to save my life. The kidney secretions were scanty and painful in passage, too. One box of Doan's Kidney Pills, which I got from the City Drug Co., cured me and it has been some time since my back has given me any annoyance."

OVER NINE YEARS LATER Mr. Zamora said: "I have had no kidney trouble in some time and I feel confident Doan's Kidney Pills have permanently cured me."

60c, at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgrs., Buffalo N. Y.

SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeld
Editor Phone 70

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Wednesday.

Red Cross Surgical Room will be in charge of Mrs. H. G. Earnest at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Parish Guild of Christ Church will meet at Red Cross Surgical Room in the afternoon to assist in the work.

The Auction Bridge Club will be entertained by Mrs. Robt. L. Muller at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Nopales Camp Fire Girls will meet with Mrs. J. A. Burnett in the afternoon.

The Christian Endeavor Training for Service Class will meet at the Christian church in the evening.

Dinner Dance at the Hotel Hamilton in the evening.

Thursday.

Red Cross Surgical Room will be in charge of Mrs. Horace Hamlin at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Heights Red Cross Knitting Circle will meet with Mrs. T. A. Bunn at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Woman's Club will have a program at the Army Y. M. C. A. in the evening.

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The Pipes in England.

If I had never heard,
If I might never hear the pipes again,
Then like a mated bird,
My heart would sing alike through sun and rain.

But now, north, south, east, west
Where'er the pipes, the eager winds bring to me
Their skirl of wild unrest,
And poignant and imperious memory.

Would that they might return
To yon north land of haunts remote and rude;
Of loch, and brae, and burn,
And mountain-sentinels of solitude.

And yet if they were gone
Forever from our English street and lane,
Should I not list'ning on
In silence find intolerable pain?
—C. Buckton, in Glasgow Herald.

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General Mention.

Miss Alice Denike has returned from a pleasant visit to Miss Josephine Dreiss in San Antonio.

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Mrs. W. T. Neblett returned on Monday from a week's stay in San Antonio.

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The many friends of Mr. Lee Vollmer will be glad to know that he is improving daily.

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James Irwin will return today from San Antonio, where he has been visiting his brother.

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In a recent letter, Mrs. Garrison states that it is so cold in Pennsylvania and there is so much snow that she would welcome a "Laredo dust storm."

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Mrs. D. F. Anderson has moved and is now staying with Mrs. H. D. Shelby.

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Mrs. Percy W. Booth of San Antonio is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Woodard.

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In a recent letter Lieut. G. E. Sielski writes that there are quite a few Laredo people in El Paso. Mrs. J. S. Seymour and John are pleasantly located at the Georgette apartments, where Lieut. and Mrs. Sielski will also be after the first.

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The public generally is cordially invited to attend a Thrift Stamp Party to be given Friday afternoon at 3:30, at the old Latin-American Club Rooms on Iturbide Street, under the auspices of the Woman's Club. An admission fee of fifty cents will be charged in return for which will be given a Thrift Card with one Thrift Stamp attached.

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Club Notes.

The Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church met yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Rectory. After the regular service at the church, the little folks pasted pictures in scrap books and made marble bags and needle bags. A short time was spent is play before adjourning. Those present were: Anna May Mussett, Marjorie Fish, Marian, Dorothy and Arthur Jackson, Mary and Ralph Cook, Dorothy Seamon, Hunter and Evelyn Randolph, Kathleen and Jack Aldridge, Barbara Biggio, Elizabeth, Charline and Eleanor Nye, Joe and John Robert Fasnacht, George, Horace and Bobby Kehl.

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Christian Aid Society.

The Aid Society of the Christian church met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. A. Millar. The afternoon was pleasantly passed in knitting and conversation. Those present were: Mesdames Hodges, Fulton, Smith, McClendon, Hamilton, Windrow, Scoville, B. Fox, A. F. Fox, Calhoun, Hornburg. Miss Celeste Hamilton and Rev. Owen Hornburg.

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Thrift Stamp Party.

The hostesses in charge of the various tables of cards and games for the Thrift Stamp Party Friday afternoon at the former Latin-American Club rooms are: Mrs. Young, Mrs. MacGregor, Mrs. Woodman, Mrs. Dwan, Mrs. O'Meara, Mrs. Daiches, Mrs. Buenz, Mrs. Morton, and Miss Westbrook. Reservations may be made by telephone, and those not interested in cards are asked to come and bring their knitting. Some good music has been arranged for, and the ladies in charge are making every effort to provide a delightful afternoon, at the same time keeping ever in mind the purpose for which this party is being given, that is, to increase the interest in War Savings Stamps. No tickets have been printed so guests are asked to have ready the amount charged for admission, and it is hoped that every one who possibly can come will do so, and will also interest others.

CASH-AND-CARRY SYSTEM.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 30.—Indianapolis housewives are soon to be confronted with the alternative of doing their own marketing or seeing their cupboards go bare. As a measure of wartime economy the cash-and-carry system is to be put into effect day after tomorrow by order of the local food administrator. The rules will apply to the entire field of foodstuffs distribution. The grocery and kindred trades have greeted the announcement with expressions of approval and the prediction is made that the innovation will help materially to reduce the cost living. Housewives are not so certain of this last-named point, but are hopeful that the prediction may prove correct. At any rate they are ready to give the new system a fair trial and to this end they are preparing to "go to market" and are ransacking cellars and attics in search of the old market baskets that were long since discarded.

PERSONALS

Roy Jennings is in the city from the ranch.

Sam J. Jordan of Encinal is a guest at the Hamilton.

Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Turpin of Santo Tomas are guests at the Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. I. J. C. Holland of San Antonio are registered at the Hamilton.

John Jackson, a prominent cattle man of San Antonio is in the city for a short visit.

Leonard Haynes came in yesterday from his ranch on account of the illness of his brother, James J. Haynes.

BENDER:—W. A. McTavish, F. L. Padilla, J. W. Derby, San Antonio; L. M. Manchester, St. Louis, Mo.; J. R. Tufts, Washington; G. C. Hargrove, J. F. Comon, W. G. Limartz, San Antonio; F. C. Cole and wife, Dallas; C. P. Allen, Mexico City; M. C. Rosenthal, Fort Worth; C. W. Hamilton, E. R. Kerr, A. K. Turnbull and wife, Mexico; J. S. Butler, Corpus Christi; E. H. Edwards, San Antonio; N. S. N. Von Phul, Tampico; G. G. Hume, Los Angeles, Cal.; P. L. McIntosh, R. R. De Vella, J. A. Hovel, W. E. Huffaker, San Antonio; C. C. Rowland, Houston.

HAMILTON:—John H. Livingston, W. E. Huffaker, Jerome Black and wife, A. V. Sanders, Mrs. A. B. Scott, San Antonio; J. R. Moore, Paris, France; Emilio Baldit and children, Nuevo Laredo, Mex.; H. E. Houston, London, Eng.; R. L. Morris and wife, Dr. and Mrs. Turpin, Santo Tomas; Claude Franklin, Ranger; Alfredo Garcia, Hebbronville; Sam J. Jordan, Encinal; R. J. Hobbs, M. H. Stevenson, San Antonio; H. T. Strong, Houston; E. Latimore, Quincy, Ill.; I. J. C. Holland and wife, San Antonio; A. E. Paulson, New York; F. C. Greasley, Philadelphia;.

SPORT CHATTER.

Manager Connie Lack says he will have about 20 pastimers in his party of Athletics at the Jacksonville training camp. Heretofore the Mackmen carried 30 to 40 men during the training trip.

This a busy season in contract signing for "Stuffy" McInnis. No sooner had the former Athletic first sacker signed up with the Red Sox than he announced his coming marriage to Miss Elsie Sherman Dow, of Manchester, Mass.

New York fans are planning to give Larry Doyle a small reception when he returns to the Polo Grounds next season. From the day he first played with the Giants down to the time he was traded to the Cubs, Doyle was a great favorite with Gotham bugs.

Boston fight fans were given a rude shock the other night when Bat Levinsky and Bill Drennan staged their phoney bout. But and Bill had boxed several crackerjack bouts in the Hub previous to their appearance in the "brother act," and both were considered gilt-edged performers.

The year 1913 showed the largest list of entries for the open golf championship in the history of the United States Golf association. That year 165 entries were received as against eleven in 1895, the first year the open meet was held.

UNITED STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN ENTER INTO AGREEMENT CONCERNING CONSCRIPTION

Citizens of Each Country to Have the Option of Returning to Their Own Country for Military Service Or Remaining for Service in the Country of Their Present Residence and Domicile.

FLOODS IN CHINA.

Special to The Times.

Shanghai, Jan. 30.—The province of Chihli is flooded again by the heavy torrential rains of the past two weeks in western Chihli and the neighboring province of Shansi. Thousands of lives have been lost. Twenty thousand square miles are under water.

RUMANIANS TAKE LUTSTK.

Special to The Times.

Copenhagen, Jan. 30.—The town of Lutsk in southern Russia is reported taken by the Ukranians after a several days' battle. Most of the Bolsheviki garrison was either killed or captured. The Rumanians are moving northward to join the Ukranians.

FINLAND ENTERS PROTEST.

Special to The Times.

Stockholm, Jan. 30.—The government of the new republic of Finland today lodged a protest with the powers against the interference in Finnish affairs by the Bolsheviki government at Petrograd, said a despatch from Haparanda.

ITALIANS TAKE OFFENSIVE.

Special to The Times.

Berlin, Jan. 30.—A powerful counter offensive has been launched by the Italians and violent fighting between the Asiago plateau and the Brenta valley was reported by the German war office today. The Italians began their attacks after a heavy bombardment of the Austro-German positions.

RESUME NEGOTIATIONS.

Special to The Times.

Copenhagen, Jan. 30.—Count Czernin, the Austrian foreign minister, is expected to reach Brest-Litovsk today for a resumption of the peace negotiations with the Russian Bolsheviki envoys, according to information just received from the seat of the parleys. Eight different delegations of peace envoys are now at Brest Litovsk. They represent the Bolsheviki, Finland, two factions of Ukranians, Germany, and Austria-Hungary.

TEUTONS EXCHANGE FOOD.

Special to The Times.

Berlin, Jan. 3.—Negotiations have been completed between the German and the Austro-Hungarian food boards for exchange of foodstuffs of various sorts. The food question is causing a great deal of concern and the closest co-operation between the two countries is necessary. One clause of the agreement is to the effect that Germany is to ship at once 15,500 tons of flour to Austria which must be replaced in March.

LEATHER SHORTAGE HITS UNCLE SAM.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 30.—The leather mail bag which has been carried by Uncle Sam's letter carriers ever since the establishment of the free delivery service will soon become a thing of the past. The war is responsible for the passing of the leather bag, as it is responsible for many other changes that have come about in everyday life during the past year or so. So much leather is being used for military purposes now that it has become exceedingly scarce and is to be obtained only at a very high price. Under these conditions Uncle Sam has deemed it wise to practice the economy which he has been preaching throughout the land. Consequently is has been decided to do away with the leather bags used by the carriers and to replace them with strong canvas bags, which may not wear so long as those made of leather, but are much cheaper and answer their purpose equally as well.

Soon Over His Cold.

Everyone speaks well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy after having used it. Mrs. George Lewis, Pittsfield, N. Y., has this to say regarding it: "Last winter my little boy, five years old, was sick with a cold for two or three week. I doctored him and used various cough medicines but nothing did him much good until I begun using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He then improved rapidly and in a few days was over his cold."

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 30.—An agreement between the United States and Great Britain and Canada on terms of separate conscription conventions was announced by Secretary Lansing in a letter to Chairman Dent of the house military committee today. The convention gave the citizens of each country the option of returning to their own country for military service within a fixed period, after which they would be subject to military duty under the laws and regulations of the country in which they reside. Each country will also be permitted to exempt nationals from military service if deemed necessary.

To Adjust Disputes.

Washington, Jan. 30.—An agreement has been reached by the department of labor with the unions and operators in oil and gas fields in Texas and Louisiana for adjustment of disputes by arbitration during the war.

Senator Hughes Dead.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 30.—United States Senator William Hughes died at the hospital here this morning after several weeks' suffering from septic poisoning, followed by bronchial pneumonia.

Packers' Hold Up.

Washington, Jan. 30.—All the great packing houses were given $500,000 stock in the Cleveland stockyards last year after they threatened to establish a yard there, an attorney for the federal trade commission declared at the packers' hearing today.

Was Oversubscribed.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The issue of $400,000,000 certificates of indebtedness which closed last night was heavily oversubscribed, the treasury department announces.

COLD WAVE COMING.

The following warning has been issued by the United States Weather Bureau and received by The Times through the Southwestern Telephone and Telegraph Company: Cold wave tonight. Temperature will be from 14 to 20 degrees Thursday morning.

TWO AMERICANS ARE KILLED IN HOSPITAL

GERMAN AVIATORS DROPPED BOMBS ON RED CROSS HOSPITAL IN NORTHERN ITALY.

By Associated Press.

Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy, Jan. 30.—Two Americans attached to the Red Cross were killed at Mestres Sunday night by bombs of German raiders. The victims were William Platt and Richard Cutts of Fairfield.

Another Raid on England.

London, Jan. 30.—In last night's air raid bombs were dropped at various places in Kent and Essex. There were several aerial engagements. All the British machines returned safely. Bombs were dropped on the suburbs, but the raiders failed to penetrate the heart of London. About fifteen machines participated in last night's raid. Bombs were dropped on the southwestern and northern outlying districts of London. There were a few casualties in southwestern London. Weather conditions were as favorable as Monday night.

Three Were Killed.

London, Jan. 30.—Three persons were killed and ten others injured in last night's air raid. It is feared that six others were buried in the ruins of a house.

New Finnish Government.

Stockholm, Jan. 30.—Finnish revolutionists have formed a new government. Members of the Finnish senate were not molested. Helsingfors was calm Monday night and Russian soldiers were passive. Viborg was also reported quiet.

German Workmen Strike.

London, Jan. 30.—Reports received here indicate that the strike of German workmen began Monday in Berlin and other parts of the empire and is assuming a serious aspect. Germany ordered the arrest of leaders of the independent socialist party. Ninety thousand German workers quit work Monday in Berlin.

Tonnage for America.

With the American Army in France, Jan. 29.—The total tonnage of former German steamships ready for service on the high seas, most of which are now bringing men and materials to France, is approximately 500,000. Among those already arrived safely in allied ports is the former Vaterland and fifteen others of Germany's largest ships.

Italians Being Reinforced.

Vienna, Jan. 30.—Italians attacking on the northern front are being heavily reinforced, says the official statement. The Austrians have been forced to give up Monte di Val Bella and Col del Rosso.

Italians Retained Possession.

Berlin, Jan. 30.—The Italians retained possession of Col del Rosso and Monte di Val Bella on the mountain front after a renewal of their attacks with strong forces, it is officially announced.

British Took Prisoners.

London, Jan. 30.—A British patrol last night attacked a German post northeast of Havrincourt, taking a number of prisoners. Enemy artillery has been active about Arras and Ypres.

Austrian Warehouses Afire.

London, Jan. 30.—Grain warehouses at Vienna are afire and enormous damage has been caused, according to a Vienna despatch from Amsterdam. Revolutionaries are suspected of having started the fires.

FRENCH BOMBARD CONFLANS.

Special to The Times.

Paris, Jan. 30.—The railway center at Conflans was heavily bombarded by French airmen during the night, the war office announced this afternoon, in a report in aerial activity. Over 6,000 kilograms of explosives were thrown down. Conflans is on French soil, but lies behind the German lines. It is being used by the Germans as a base of supplies.

TO FORCE ABDICATION.

Special to The Times.

Amsterdam, Jan. 30.—It is reported on reliable authority from Berlin that there is an active movement on foot to compel the kaiser to abdicate in favor of the crown prince. This movement is understood to be fostered by Count Reventlow, the Tages Zeitung and the Pan-Germans generally. This would give the annexationists a free hand. The crown prince has contended all along that the kaiser has allowed the socialist press and spokesmen too much liberty. The Tages Zeitung has gone so far as to boldly charge the kaiser with selling the empire to the socialists.

FARMERS WEEK AT KENTUCKY COLLEGE.

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 30.—"Farmers Week" at the Agricultural College of Kentucky University, which is now under way, promises to be of more than usual interest, because of the extensive demonstration work that he is to be given by members of the faculty of the college and because of the aroused interest in farming and livestock breeding in general. The annual corn show is being held in connection with the meeting and in addition there is an alfalfa show, under the auspices of the Kentucky Alfalfa Growers' Association, an exhibit of dairy products and an exhibit of women's work.

INDUSERY ENOUGH.

"Is your new stenographer industrious?"

"I can't deny that she industrious, but she is too busy knitting to do anything around the office."—Louisville Courier-Jaurnal.

From Thursday's Daily.

THE DESPERATE FINISH.

There is every indication that the Teutons are nearing the end of their strength, and one of the strongest indications is the raids on London and other places by German airmen. Several persons have been killed in London during the past two or three days, which is not of the slightest military advantage to the Germans, and two American Red Cross workers, among others, were killed in an Italian hospital behind the lines, which is a confession of weakness on the part of the Germans.

The submarine campaign during the past few weeks has been active but futile, and the record of losses is gradually lessening. Already many German ships taken over when we entered the war have been used by our government for transmitting men and supplies to France, and all of them have arrived safely.

The weakness of the German effort is shown in attacks on London and on allied hospitals, for if the Germans were as strong as they claimed to be they would be able to attack the armed forces of the allies, not defenseless civilians and hospital staffs.

The strikes in Germany are alleged from credible sources to have begun Monday, and already Berlin and other centers are suffering an industrial walk-out. Even the dread of the German bayonets has not been sufficient to deter the German workingmen from deserting their posts, although they know that such an act is looked upon as a military crime.

The latest news from Germany indicates a lack of the prime necessities of food, although the German government is making a bluff of exchanging foodstuffs with Austria. It is reported that some 15,000 tons of flour are to be "lent" to Austria, but that they must be returned in March.

Of course, there is always the possibility that Austria will sign a separate peace with Russia and perhaps with some others of the allies, in which case she might secure enough flour to return what she "borrowed" from Germany. But the possibility is a remote one.

There is little reason to believe that Austria has any foodstuffs to spare for Germany, in view of the food riots in Vienna and other parts of the dual monarchy, and neither has Germany anything to waste.

Recent complaints made to the Reichstag concerning the food substitution declared that most of the substitutes were unfit for human food, and that the use of some of them had resulted in death, those who used any of them being emaciated and weakened physically.

Many mutinies have occurred, the people are generally dissatisfied with the conduct of the war and its duration, and the latest move on the part of the Junkers to force the kaiser to abdicate in favor of the crown prince indicates the desperate condition of the militarists.

There is much that is encouraging and little that is discouraging to Entente powers. Italy's come-back is decidedly encouraging, especially as at this time of the year the campaigning in the mountains is difficult and subject to interruption at any moment. The Austrians have received heavy reinforcements, yet they are unable to hold the ground they recently took, and the Italians are in a fair way to recover all the ground which they lost some weeks ago.

On the western front there is little change, but the entrance of a million Americans into the combat by the time that the spring rains are over indicates that the Germans will be hard pressed to retain their ground.

The desperate state of affairs is as apparent if not more so, to the Germans as to the Entente, and they are making superhuman efforts to gain all they can before the inevitable defeat occurs, so that they may be in better shape to resist the peace demands of the allies.

So far their most strenuous efforts have resulted only in defeat, and if they could not hold out during the progress of the winter which is so favorable to defense and so difficult for the offense, what will they do when the rains flood their trenches and dugouts?

Altogether the outlook is decidedly encouraging for a speedy conclusion of the war in favor of the allies.

OUR MERCHANT MARINE.

It looks as if the United States was once more to become a maritime nation, and that our great coastline, the greatest in the world of any single nation, would again be used by ships of American register.

So far we have met with but slight disaster, having lost 69 ships by submarines, with a total tonnage of 171,061. On the other hand, during this period we added to our merchant marine 107 German and Austrian vessels with a gross tonnage of 686,494, showing a net gain of 515,435 tons. Most of the American ships lost were sailing vessels of small tonnage.

In ten months of last year ships of 24,834,400 gross tonnage cleared from American ports in the foreign trade, with a slight percentage of loss. During this period our shipping board requisitioned 426 ships of more than two million tons then in shipyards, and requisitioned 393 American ships of more than 2,500 tons dead weight capacity each. Twenty-four steamers building on the great lakes were requisitioned and have since been brought to the Atlantic coast through the Welland canal. The German ships interned and damaged by their former crews a few days before war was declared have been repaired and used in our trade. Two of these were sunk—the Acteon, formerly the Adam Stein, and the Owaco, formerly the Armenia. The Armenia was torpedoed, but was beached and saved.

This is our answer to the German declaration that we have no transports and were dependent upon Great Britain for transshipment of our supplies from our ports to France. And there is in all the above no mention of the hundreds of steamers now building, some of which will be ready for the transatlantic trade within a month or two, to be followed by others at intervals of a few weeks for more than a year to come.

At one time the American flag was better known is the far off ports of the world than any other. Our ships were the fastest and most seaworthy, our seamen were the most skillful, our shipmasters were the most daring and also the most successful, and only by a short-sighted policy was our merchant marine reduced to second-class, and then landed far down the column, while the newly formed German empire, the recently progressive Japasese and others whose abilities were far inferior to ours reaped the benefits of the trade we had sown.

The end of the present war will see us once more established as one of the great maritime nations, and if we have the slightest degree of common sense, we shall never again let other nations take from us our supremacy of the seas and our control of markets which are legitimately ours.

We have already gained markets in Central and South America which should have been ours years ago, but which were taken from us, not by superior trade methods, but because of our lack of ships in which to carry the goods.

Germany in less than forty years rose to be one of the great trading nations of the world, not because her goods were superior or even the equal of ours, but because the German government granted subsidies to aid in building up the steamer lines with which she aimed to dominate the world.

Great Britain retained the supremacy of the seas by the most strenuous efforts, and we sold our goods abroad by paying tolls to the English, German, French, Dutch and Japanese shipowners.

With the enormous increase in American vessels, we should again enter the lists in competition with our old trade rival, Great Britain, and should be able to wrest the supremacy from Germany, Japan, Holland or any other nation inferior in resources, wealth, commerce or manufacture.

We are second to no nation in manufactures. We should be second to none in commerce. We have lacked the ships, but now that we have them, we should be foolish indeed to return to our former policy of letting the other nations charge us for the privilege of doing business in foreign countries, while we are able to compete with any nation on earth in quality of goods and efficiency of handling.

Austrian revolutionists seem to be no more brainy than their brothers of Russia. They set fire to the grain warehouses because they had no bread. An American mob would have brought carts and taken the contents before starting the fire.

BARN DESTROYED BY FIRE AND HEAVY LOSS ENTAILED

Fire on Premises of Hill Home on the Heights This Morning Caused Loss of More Than $2,000.

Presumably due to the negligence of an inveterate cigarette fiend throwing a live "butt" into a stack of hay while sitting about puffing on his supply of cigarettes, the two-story barn on the premises of the W. T. Hill home on the Heights was destroyed by fire this forenoon, entailing a loss of more than $2,000 with no insurance.

An old Mexican man employed on the Hill place had arrived there early and was sitting on the sunny side of the barn sucking away at some cigarettes and it is believed he threw one near some hay, igniting it and causing a conflagration. The barn was divided into six rooms downstairs, including garage, and a large room on the upper floor. Six saddles, some harness, considerable feedstuff, etc., were destroyed with the building, in fact the only things saved were the automobile and a wagon. The nearby corral was slightly damaged, but the Hill home, removed about 100 feet from the blaze, was not damaged. The firemen responded to the alarm and did what they could to quench the flames, which were fanned by a strong norther.

W.S.S.
WAR SAVINGS STAMPS
ISSUED BY THE
UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT

Joints that ache, muscles that are drawn or contracted should be treated with BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It penetrates to the spot where it is needed and relieves suffering. Price 25c, 50c and $1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists. x

Slip a few Prince Albert smokes into your system!

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You've heard many an earful about the Prince Albert patented process that *cuts out* bite and parch and lets you smoke your fill without a comeback! Stake your bank roll that it proves out every hour of the day. Prince Albert has always been sold without coupons or premiums. We prefer to give quality!

There's sport smoking a pipe or rolling your own, but *you know* that you've got to have the right tobacco! We tell you Prince Albert will bang the doors wide open for you to come in on a good time firing up every little so often, *without a regret!* You'll feel like your smoke past has been wasted and will be sorry you cannot back up for a fresh start.

PRINCE ALBERT
the national joy smoke

You swing on this say-so like it was a tip to a thousand-dollar bill! It's worth that in happiness and contentment to you, to every man who knows what *can* be gotten out of a chummy jimmy pipe or a makin's cigarette with Prince Albert for "packing"!



R. J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO CO.
Winston-Salem, N. C.

This is the reverse side of the tidy red tin

THE Prince Albert tidy red tin, and in fact, every Prince Albert package, has a real message to you on its reverse side. You'll read:—"Process Patented July 30th, 1907." That means that the United States Government has granted a patent on the process by which Prince Albert is made. *And by which tongue bite and throat parch are cut out!* Everywhere tobacco is sold you'll find Prince Albert awaiting you in toppy red bags, 5c; tidy red tins, 10c; handsome pound and half-pound tin humidors and in that clever crystal-glass humidor, with sponge-moistener top, that keeps the tobacco in such fine condition—always!

THE SONG OF THE SHIRK.

Tell me, ye winged winds,
That round my Pathway roar:
Is there not some resting place,
Where Mortals work no more?

To me, ye pipe and call,
Ye busy Marts of Trade
To draw me from this easy run:
But I am undismayed!

For me, ye open doors
Of Honor, Wealth and Fame;
But I forsooth must all decline,
And seek a Life more tame.

For me, this great World calls
To help subdue the Wrong;
But, Oh, how hard to "hit the trail,"
So I'll just jog along!

For me a clarion calls,
To help this World grow pure;
And usher in a Reign of Peace,
And Love that will endure.

. . . . . .

To me, the Still, Small Voice
Has spoken once again;
So must it be that I SHALL rise,
Or find 'It might have been?'

MRS. PAUL W. EVANS.
Laredo, Texas.

Notice to Tax-payers.

Your attention is called to the fact that you must pay your state and county taxes on or before January 31st if you want to avoid the penalty fixed by law. My office in the county court house is open from 9 a. m. to 12 m. and from 2 to 5 p. m.

H. LIGARDE,
County Tax Collector.
1-10-20t.

STOMACH TROUBLE

Mr. Marion Holcomb, of Nancy, Ky., says: "For quite a long while I suffered with stomach trouble. I would have pains and a heavy feeling after my meals, a most disagreeable taste in my mouth. If I ate anything with butter, oil or grease, I would spit it up. I began to have regular sick headache. I had used pills and tablets, but after a course of these, I would be constipated. It just seemed to tear my stomach all up. I found they were no good at all for my trouble. I heard

THEDFORD'S
BLACK-DRAUGHT

recommended very highly, so began to use it. It cured me. I keep it in the house all the time. It is the best liver medicine made. I do not have sick headache or stomach trouble any more." Black-Draught acts on the jaded liver and helps it to do its important work of throwing out waste materials and poisons from the system. This medicine should be in every household for use in time of need. Get a package today. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c a package. All druggists.

ONE CENT A DOSE

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NOTABLE BIRTHDAY TODAY.

JANUARY 31.

Major Willard D. Straight, U. S. A. Reserve Corps, who was recently selected to go to France and supervise the work of the overseas branch of the war insurance risk bureau, was born at Oswego, N. Y., 38 years ago today. Mr. Straight is regarded as especially well suited to the task assigned him, owing to his ability as a banker and financier. For he is none other than the former representative in China of the American group of bankers who attempted to secure for the United States a share in the loans that were to be placed by the European and Amercan financiers, a scheme that President Wilson blocked soon after he became President. Mr. Straight began his career in the Far East as a worker in the Chinese Maritime Customs Service in the days of the now deposed dynasty. For a year he was a press correspondent in Korea, Manchuria and Japan. Later he was attached to the legations of the United States at Seoul and Mukden, and on returning to the United States served in the State Department as acting chief of the division of foreign affairs.

Stomach Troubles.

If you have trouble with your stomach you should try Chamberlain's Tablets. So many have been restored to health by the use of these tablets and their cost is so little, 25 cents, that it is worth while to give them a trial.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

JANUARY 31.

1606—Guy Fawkes was executed for his part in the plot to blow up the English houses of parliament.
1752—Gouverneur Morris, a conspicuous figure in the early history of the American republic, born at Morrisania, N. Y. Died there, Nov. 6, 1816.
1849—Zachary Taylor resigned from the army.
1864—Hamilton R. Gamble, governor of Missouri during the civil war, died at St. Louis. Born at Winchester, Va., Nov. 29, 1798.
1865—United States house of representatives passed the Thirteenth Amendment, carrying out the emancipation proclamation.
1880—British training ship Atlanta with 280 on board sailed from Bermuda and was never heard from again.
1883—Rev. Cornelius O'Brien was consecrated R. C. archbishop of Halifax.
1893—Mr. Gladstone took the oath as British prime minister.
THE WAR:—
1915—German forces abandoned the ling fight for La Bassee Canal.
1916—Sixty-seven reported killed in a Zeppelin raid over the northeastern counties of England.
1917—Germany announced indiscriminate U-boat warfare on neutrals.

The liver loses its activity at times and needs help. HERBINE is an effective liver stimulant. It also purifies the bowels, strengthens digestion and restores strength, vigor and cheerful spirits. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists. x

INVESTIGATING FISHERIES.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 31.—The commissions appointed to consider and to satisfactorily adjudicate if possible certain long-standing fisheries disputes between the United States and Canada today transferred their sessions from Washington to this city. A series of public hearings has been arranged to deal with questions relating to the North Atlantic fisheries. From Boston the commissions will go to Gloucester, Mass., and then to some place in Canada.



NATHALINA
Mexican Preparation
Returns to the hair its natural color whether blond, brown or black, it does not stain the skin, nor contain silver nitrate. It is not harmful and is easy to use.
By Express $1.50 from San Antonio Drug Co., San Antonio, Tex., The Warner Drug Co., El Paso, Tex., Shelby Theriot Laredo, Texas, and at Drug Stores. By wholesale from
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LITTLE LOCALS

—While a cool northwest wind struck Laredo during the night, the predicted severe cold spell forecasted by the weather bureau to prevail in this section this morning must have been switched off its course and gone elsewhere, for only cool weather was in evidence here today. However, winter is not yet over and there is lots of time left for some real cold weather.

—When wanting milk phone 356. 1-22-tf.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-tf.

—St. Valentine's Day is near at hand again. Perhaps, judging from weather conditions the present winter, Laredo will be wrapped in snow again on that date just like it was 22 years ago. Generally on or about the 14th of February severe cold weather prevails, and that is also generally the last real cold snap of the winter season.

—City Garage, tel. 515. Jitney cars. Vulcanizing. Work guaranteed. 8-11-tf.

—Texas Real Estate & Abstract Co. 1012 Farragut street. Phone 1061. Abstracts of property in Laredo and lands of Webb county. 7-19-tf.

—Deputy Sheriff M. G. Benavides and County Clerk Rodriguez, who have been on the sick list, are both getting along finely and hope soon to be able to resume their respective duties at the courthouse.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-tf.

—Reports from the bedside of Mr. J. J. Haynes today state that his condition is quite serious. He passed the pneumonia crisis today, but other complications have set in.

—The Bellmont. Rooms and apartments. 602 Main Ave. Phone 576 or 1017. 6-20-tf.

—The many friends of Mr. Matias de Llano will be sorry to know that he has been quite sick with la grippe for the past few days and though he is now much better he is still confined to his bed.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-t.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-9-tf.

—Amador Aguilar, arrested here several days ago while trying to skip to Mexico to evade the selective draft law, was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Foster this morning and later bound over to the federal grand jury in the sum of $1,000, which he failed to provide and was remanded to the county jail.

ARMY OFFICER TO RETIRE.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—After more than 42 years of service, Col. Frank N. Jones, Seventh U. S. Infantry, will be placed on the retired list of the army tomorrow on account of age. Col. Jones is a native of Mississippi and a graduate of West Point in the class of '79. Recently he has been stationed at Camp Greene, North Carolina.

A good remedy for a bad cough is BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP. It heals the lungs and quiets irritation. Price 25c, 50c and $1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists. x

SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE.

Pursuant to an order issued by Hon. W. P. Hobby, Governor of Texas, notice is hereby given that a Special Election will be held on Friday the 15th day of February, A. D. 1918, at the various election precincts in Webb County, Texas, for the following purpose, viz: The election of one Representative to the State Legislature from the 79th District, to fill the unexpired term of Walter F. Woodull, resigned:

In Election Precinct No. 1, No. 311 Iturbide Street, Laredo.
In Election Precinct No. 2, No. 901 Hidalgo Street, Laredo.
In Election Precinct No. 3, No. 1114 Lincoln Street, Laredo.
In Election Precinct No. 4, No. 1620 Lincoln Street, Laredo.
In Election Precinct No. 5, House of the late Dennis O'Brien.
In Election Precinct No. 6, House of Cannel Coal Co., Dolores.
In Election Precinct No. 7, House of Santo Tomas Coal Co., Minera.
In Election Precinct No. 8, House of J. A. Rodriguez, Rod. Ranch.
In Election Precinct No. 9, House of Martin Estate, Martin Ranch.
In Election Precinct No. 10, House of A. M. Bruni, Bruni.
In Election Precinct No. 11, House of Amador Garcia, Aguilares.
In Election Precinct No. 12, House of J. Armengol, Armengol Farm.

GEO. R. PAGE,
Co. Judge, Webb Co., Texas.
1-31-15t.

Comet Barber Shops
No. 1 Opposite City Hall
No. 2 Opposite I. & G. N. Depot
Everything First Class and Sanitary. Hot and Cold Baths
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BY DIABOLICAL TRICKERY SPANIARD GETS EXPELLED

HE WANTED HIS MONEY ON DEBT AND DEBTOR WOULDN'T PAY

So the Debtor Planned to Get Him In Bad With Government and By Intrigue Succeeded in His Plan.

Jose Camara, aged 26 years and a native of Burgos, Spain, but who for the past thirteen years or half his lifetime has been making his home in Mexico, arrived in Laredo yesterday, having been put across the boundary line by Carranza soldiers following his being expelled from Mexico by having Article 33 relating to pernicious foreigners applied to him as a means of revenge by a government official who tricked him in order to evade the payment of a just debt contracted with Camara.

Camara spent three years in Mexico City, and from there ten years ago he removed to Toluca, where he engaged in the saloon business and had paid the statutory saloon tax ever since. Some months ago an official of Toluca purchased booze and accessories to the sum of $300 Mexican gold and when payment was requested sime time later the official refused to settle the account. A complaint was made to the federal government at the capital and they in turn demanded that the official pay Camara the amount due him. In a snarling manner the aforesaid official called on Camara and paid him $100 Mexican gold on account, but he resented the matter of having been "turned in" and stated he would get revenge. The remaining $200 of the account was never paid.

A short time ago Camara had occasion to place an order for a large qautity of matches with a firm in Mexico City and the aggrieved Toluca official learned that the order had been placed. So he accordingly contrived to wreak his vengeance on Camara and planned to have the factory deliver the 25 grosses of matches with a picture of Felix Diaz on the small boxes. This was done and as soon as the matches arrived at Toluca, and before Camara had an opportunity to inspect the shipment, he received an order for one gross of the lighting material, and he simply delivered a large box of them, as each box contained a gross. No sooner were these matches delivered than he was arrested charged with being a propagandist of Felix Diaz, who is an enemy of the Carranza government. Camara was taken to Mexico City, incarcerated incomunicado for fourteen days and then put on a train under guard, brought to Nuevo Laredo, taken to the boundary monument and deported to the United States, which seems to have become the dumping grounds of all persons whom the Carranza government classify as undesirable in that country.

Camara has had his business in Toluca confiscated, he says, and pending information concerning his property, will remain in Laredo.

CITY TREASURER'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I am ready to pay all outstanding warrants of the City of Laredo for the year 1917. Interest to cease January 31, 1918.

J. A. ORTIZ,
City Treasurer.
Laredo, Texas, Jan. 31, 1918.
1-31-6t.

DEATH OF MRS. CHAS. COOK, FORMERLY MISS LULA RIVERA

Lady Well Known in This Section of the State and a Native of Corpus Christi, Dies in Tennessee.

A telegram received here this morning by R. K. Mims from Marshall Hicks at San Antonio announces that Mrs. Charles Cook died suddenly in Clarksville, Tenn., yesterday morning and that Mrs. Hicks had gone there to attend the funeral of her sister-in-law.

Mrs. Cook, whose maiden name was Miss Lula Rivera, was born and reared in Corpus Christi, where the family was one of the most prominent and where she was one of the most popular and beautiful young ladies. Last year deceased visited in Laredo as the guest of her girlhood friend, Mrs. Royle K. Mims. She was well known in this city and had many friends and acquaintances who will be shocked to hear of her sudden death, the cause of which was not stated in the telegram received here by Mr. Mims.

Stop Itching Eczema

Never mind how often you have tried and failed, you can stop burning, itching eczema quickly by applying a little zemo furnished by any druggist for 35c. Extra large bottle, $1.00. Healing begins the moment zemo is applied. In a short time usually every trace of eczema, tetter, pimples, rash, blackheads and similar skin diseases will be removed.

For clearing the skin and making it vigorously healthy, always use zemo, the penetrating, antiseptic liquid. It is not a greasy salve and it does not stain. When others fail it is the one dependable treatment for skin troubles of all kinds.
The E. W. Rose Co., Cleveland, O.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

From Friday's Daily.

ASTONISHED AT THE RESULTS SHE SAYS

GAINED SIXTEEN AND A HALF POUNDS ON TANLAC AND TROUBLES ARE GONE.

"When I bought my first bottle of Tanlac I felt like it was that much money thrown away, so my wonderful recovery has astonished me," said Mrs. P. A. Johnson, who resides at 202 Third Street, El Paso, Texas, a few days ago.

"For eight years," she continued, "I have been physically broken down and have suffered tortures with rheumatism, indigestion and nervousness. My whole body seemed to be affected with rheumatism and my joints were swollen and pained me so I was almost helpless. My legs hurt me so bad I couldn't bear my weight on them and I had to use crutches and be helped about. Nothing I would eat agreed with me and my stomach was in such an awful shape that I couldn't stand anything tight around me. For months at a time I lived on liquid diet and even this at times caused me trouble. The gas on my stomach affected my heart so sometimes I felt like every breath would be my last and my nerves were simply shattered to pieces. I also suffered terribly from constipation and headaches and never knew what it was to sleep more than two hours any night.

"Honestly, I have spent three-fourths of my time during the past two years flat of my back in bed and have taken medicine until my house looks like a drug store. I have spent many a dollar with little or no results. I was told my trouble was caused by appendicitis and when I was operated on and still suffered just as bad as ever, I became discouraged and felt that I would never get well. I could just feel myself going from bad to worse every day. A friend of mine urged me to try Tanlac and I am now on my third bottle, have gained sixteen pounds and a half and am already feeling like a new woman. It's a positive fact, these three bottles of Tanlac have done me more good than other treatment and medicines that have cost me hundreds of dollars. The pain and swelling caused by the rheumatism has entirely left me, I eat just any and everything I want without it hurting me asd sleep every night like a child. My nerves are steady as a clock and I really haven't felt so well in eight years and my friends are all talking about my wonderful improvement."

Tanlac is sold in Laredo by Windrow Drug Co. (Adv.)

DECREASE IN THE POLL TAX PAYMENTS IN COUNTY-CITY

BOTH PLACES "FELL DOWN" IN NUMBER RECEIPTS ISSUED.

Decrease in Number Receipts Issued Accredited to Large Number Qualified Voters Responding to "Call."

The time limitation for the payment of poll taxes in both the city and county expired at midnight last night, and in order to accommodate belated applicants both the collectors, city and county, kept their offices open until the last moment. There was no rush apparent during the final hours, as the inclement weather prevailing last night was more inviting inside the homes than for one to go wandering to the offices of the tax collectors.

With all the agitation that has prevailed for the purpose of inducing eligible parties to take out the requisite poll taxes to enable them to vote at any elections to be held this year, there is a decrease in the payment of poll taxes compared with the issuance of receipts for the year 1916, which was also a year in which big elections were held. At the close of the business of issuing poll taxes for the city on January 31, 1916, at the office of City Tax Collector de Lachica, the total payments aggregated 1,132, while the records of the payments for 1917 issued up to midnight last night show a total of 1,034, which is a decrease of 98 votes compared with 1916. Of the city poll tax payments 151 were property tax-payers, while 883 were special poll taxes.

The records of County Tax Collector Ligarde of poll tax payments for the county and state made to him in 1915-16, or up to midnight of January 31, 1916, show a total of 1,670, but the total payments made up to last night at midnight show a big decrease, as the total payments reported from that office today can not yet be ascertained, but there is a decrease compared with 1916.

The decreases in both instances may be accounted for by the fact that quite a number of young men who have heretofore been paying their poll taxes in order to be enabled to cast their ballot at the polls in any elections that might occur have nobly responded to the call of their country and are now either training at one of the big cantonments somewhere in this country, or are encamped in a more grim camp "somewhere" in the battle-ridden country "over there."

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

LITTLE LOCALS

—Last night somebody entered the yard of Bernardino Diaz at 1115 Washington street and stole therefrom a mare belonging to J. A. Rodriguez. The loss was reported to the officers this morning, but so far no trace of the missing animal has been found.

—When wanting milk phone 356. 1-22-tf.

—The following marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since last report: Jose G. Navarro and Mrs. Julia Alexander.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-tf.

—Up to noon today the exact number of poll taxes paid to the county tax collector could not be ascertained, as many applications for receipts from outside places in the county had come by mail yesterday and this batch of correspondence had not yet been reached in the work of the clerks.

—City Garage, tel. 515. Jitney cars. Vulcanizing. Work guaranteed. 8-11-tf.

—The death of James J. Haynes came as a thunderbolt from a clear sky to his many friends, as this estimable gentleman up to nine days ago was in his usual robust health and at his place of business. But death is an uncertain visitor and he may intrude at any moment to leave sorrow in his path. Today is life; tomorrow may be death.

—Texas Real Estate & Abstract Co. 1012 Farragut street. Phone 1061. Abstracts of property in Laredo and lands of Webb county. 7-19-tf.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-tf.

—A civil service examination for stenographer and typewriter in the field service will be held in this city February 25. The entrance salary is $1,000 per year, but after completion of a six-months probational period the salary will be increased to $1,200 per year. Applicants should apply to secretary of the Tenth Civil Service District for blanks and information at once.

—The Bellmont. Rooms and apartments. 602 Main Ave. Phone 576 or 1017. 6-20-tf.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-t.

—Mr. Clarence Jefferies will speak tonight on the subpect of "Enlistment of Mechanics for Shipbuilding."

—The importations through this port from Mexico this morning consisted of two carloads of cotton seed cake, eleven carloads of ixtle, one carload of henequen, one carload of salt peter, three carloads of copper, one carload of rubber, two carloads of hides, one carload of goatskins, one carload of antimony and fourteen carloads of calamine.

LARGE NUMBER ASSEMBLED SEEKING EXPORT LICENSE

People Crowd About Counter at Customshouse and There is Little Help on Hand to Wait on Them.

That the Laredo customshouse force is badly in need of more clerical assistance to handle the large volume of business created by the demand for federal licenses, is every day demonstrated here by the large number of persons who appear at the customshouse to secure permits to cross small quantities of food to the Mexican side of the boundary line.

This morning when The Times reporter visited the customshouse quarters on his regular rounds he found the space in front of the cocnter, and between there and the wall veritably jammed with people awaiting their turn to be given attention by the three or four clerks on hand. That the war board should expedite the matter of placing a branch office of the exports license board here is demonstrated by the rush of business experienced here.

COLD WEATHER PREVAILS; PREDICT FREEZE TONIGHT

Cold Snap Today Was Accompanied by Misting Rain, But Very Little Moisture Fell in This Section.

Another cold spell got a grip on this section last night, when the thermometer took another tumble, and from a maximum of 62 degrees yesterday forenoon, it tumbled twenty-six degrees during the afternoon and last night and this morning it registered 36 degrees, or four points above freezing. The cold snap was accompanied by a misting rain this morning, and this contributed to making the weather real chilly, as this kind of cold is penetrating and makes outdoor life anything but pleasant.

The weather forecast today calls for cloudy and freezing weather for tonight and tomorrow, followed by rising temperature, and from indications at this writing all expectations of the weather prognosticator will be realized. This has so far been the most severe winter and most prolonged cold spell ever experienced in this section, but February is yet to have its turn at the meterological conditions and there is very apt to be some severe cold experienced before the treacherous month of the year gives way to spring-like weather.

SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeld Editor . . Phone 76

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Friday.

Boy Scout Troop No. 2 will hold their regular meeting in the evening.

The Maira Club will entertain with a box party at the Strand in the evening.

Saturday.

The Red Cross Knitting Circle will meet with Mrs. W. W. MacGregor in the afternoon.

Ladies' Night at the 37th Infantry Club.

Somebody said that it couldn't be done,
But he with a chuckle replied
That "maybe it couldn't," but he would be one
Who wouldn't say so till he tried.
So he buckled right in with the trace of a grin
On his face. If he worried, he hid it;
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That "couldn't be done"—and he did it.

There are thousands to tell you it can not be done,
There are thousands to mock and to rail you;
There are thousands to point out to you one by one
The dangers that lurk to assail you.
But just buckle in with a bit of a grin,
Then take off your coat and go to it;
Just start in to sing as you tackle the thing
That "can not be done"—and you'll do it.

—Tit-Bits.

General Mention.

Rev. and Mrs. Owen Hornburg, who have been staying with Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Millar for the past week, expect to move into the Netzer building today.

Mrs. Hal W. Greer and little grandsons will leave today for a two weeks' stay in Beaumont.

The many friends of Mrs. S. W. DeWolf will be glad to know that she returned home this morning from Columbus, Ga., and reports her mother is very much improved in health.

Santiago Sanchez returned home yesterday, having been honorably discharged from the Army. Mr. Sanchez was stationed at Camp Bowie.

Mrs. Will T. Hill arrived this morning from San Antonio to spend today and tomorrow.

Mrs. J. J. Gravey left today for her home in Holywood, California, after a pleasant visit to her mother, Mrs. M. Capra.

Announcements.

There will be a meeting of the Red Cross instructors on Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. G. Earnest, chairman, at 3:30 o'clock.

Mrs. R. C. MacDnoald will give a benefit recital for the reading room of the Woman's Club on February 8th.

The Woman's Club has postponed the Thrift Stamp party until Saturday afternoon at the same hour and place.

The weekly dance of the Latin-American Club which was scheduled for tonight has been called off on account of the death of James J. Haynes.

Red Cross Notes.

The Heights Red Cross Knitting Circle met with Mrs. T. A. Bunn yesterday afternoon and the time was devoted to knitting. A number of finished articles were turned in. Those present were Mesdames Matson, Fulton, Mathews, Rodgers, Craven and Bunn.

The Red Cross Surgical Rooms presented a busy scene yesterday afternoon, when a goodly number of the members attended the meeting. Among the work done 200 gauze wipes and 14 dozen muslin bandages were made. A box containing 975 splint strips with buckles, valued at $33, was packed and shipped. The contents were made entirely by Mrs. Hudges and Mrs. Jefferies. Those present yesterday were: Mesdames Hamlin, Butler, Jennings, Applewhite, Withoff, Nelson, Trout, Earnest, Cluck, Gill and Miss Marguerite Nelson.

INSTRUCTION IN VIRGINIA.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 1.—Westmoreland Davis, who was elected governor of Virginia last November, and the others chosen to the several State offices at that time were inaugurated today with the ceremonies which custom has prescribed for the occasion. The event served to attract to the capital a large number of visitors from all over the State.

PERSONALS

Jesus Trejo of New Orleas is in the city.

Hon. Marshall Hicks of San Antonio arrived in the city this morning and is stopping at the Hamilton.

Julge Geo. R. Page left yesterday for San Antonio for medical attention and expects to return home in a few days. He was accomvanied on the trip by Valentin L. Puig.

HAMILTON:—Elisa R. de Rivero, A. Garcia, Monterey; J. S. Moore, Laredo; Miss Dolly Churchill, Minera; E. S. Dennis Jr., J. E. Nieto, San Antonio; Geo. Bawden, Detroit, Mich.; R. P. Price, E. F. Gossett, Mrs. E. F. Gossett, Houston; C. A. Geabiel, El Paso; G. T. Treviño, B. E. Berg, Marshall Hicks, San Antonio.

BENDER:—W. M. Bowes, San Antonio; James Diamond, Holyoke, Mass.; M. K. Collie, Houston; A. L. Chavez, Claude G. Mathews, E. F. Boyle, San Antonio; M. Argueso, New York; Leon M. Moore, San Francisco, Cal.; R. C. Sareno, New York; H. F. Nash, Butte, Mont.; A. H. Moulton, Dallas; L. L. Burney, Waco; J. A. Appley, R. E. Jones, G. P. Barthloman, Herbert S. Green, San Antonio; S. A. Brown, New York; L. B. S. Bandalo, Mexico City; Chas. F. Moore, Rochester, N. Y.; W. D. Young, H. D. McGwier, San Antonio; F. A. Delle, Houston; F. Martin, G. D. Pelcher, W. B. Thompson, San Antonio; Dr. M. A. Glentzer, Carrizo Springs.

EDMUNDS REACHES 90th MILESTONE.

Pasadena, Cal., Feb. 1.—George F. Edmunds, former United States senator from Vermont and during his active career considered one of the ablest man in national politics, quietly celebrated his 90 birthday anniversary today at his home in this city. Mr. Edmunds sat in the United States senate for a quarter of a century. On all issue involving the judiciary and kindred subjects he was an undisputed authority. It was he who initiated and carried through the Edmunds act prohibiting polygamy. In the Republican national conventions of 1880 and 1884 he received votes for the presidential nomination from delegates represnt the anti-machine and liberal points of view. Since his retirement from public life some twenty years ago he has made his home in Pasadena.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

FEBRUARY 1.

1775—Provincial congress of Massachusetts, consisting of upwards of 300 members, met at Cambridge.

1820—First Odd Fellows' lodge in America, Washington Lodge No. 1, of Baltimore, received a charter from the Duke of York's Lodge at Preston, England.

1838—John Ericson received his first patent for the screw propeller.

1854—The parliament house at Quebec was destroyed by fire.

1860—Pennington, of New Jersey, was elected Speaker of the house of representatives, after balloting nearly two months.

1865—The main body of Sherman's army began the march northward from Savannah.

1890—Maor Banitza and six others arrested on charges of plotting against the Prince and Government of Bulgaria.

1892—Supreme Court of the United States decided the Nebraska gubernatorial contest in favor of James E. Boyd.

1899—The United States flag was raised at Guam.

1904—William H. Taft succeeded Elihu Root as Secretary of War.

THE WAR:—

1915—German submarine sank five British merchant ships in North Sea.

1916—Allies seized Kum Kale, fort guarding entrance to Salonica harbor.

1917—Germany notified neutral nations she had established U-boat blockade of Great Britain.

When You Have a Cold.

It is when you have a severe cold that you appreciate the good qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mrs. Frank Crocker, Pana, Ill., writes: "Our five-year-old son Paul caught a severe cold last winter that settled on his lungs and he had terrible coughing spells. We were greatly worried about him as the medicine we gave him did not help him in the least. A neighbor spoke so highly of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy that I got a bottle of it. The first dose benefited him so much that I continued giving it to him until he was cured." *

CITY TREASURER'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I am ready to pay all outstanding warrants of the City of Laredo for the year 1917. Interest to cease January 31, 1918.

J. A. ORTIZ,
City Treasurer.

Laredo, Texas, Jan. 31, 1918.

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WILSON TOLD SENATORS HE STILL OPPOSES CREATION OF WAR CABINET OVER HIS HEAD

Senators of Both Parties in Conference with President were Informed that His Opposition was Founded on the Belief that War Cabinet and Direction of Munitions would Hamper His Work.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 1.—President Wilson today conferred with a dozen Democratic and Republican senators on military bills. After the conference the senators would not discuss the subject of the meeting, leaving the announcement to come from the White House. Later it was announced that the president reiterated his opposition to the impending bills to create a super war cabinet and direction of munitions, contending that they would hamper him in his conduct of the war and that they were unnecessary.

Cloth Weavers Strike.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 1.—One thousand cloth weavers here struck today for a 15 per cent wage increase and changed working conditions. About 1,500 workers are affected. The strikers and their sympathizers paraded the mill district and some disorder followed.

Settle Wage Controversy.

Washington, Feb. 1.—The department of labor announces that it has secured a settlement of the wage controversy which threatened a strike of 5,000 employes of the American Locomotive Company.

LIVESTOCK INCREASE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Livestock in the United States January 1 was valued at $8,263,524,000, the department of agriculture announced today. This is an increase of $1,527,912,000.

MET DEATH WITH SONG.

Special to The Times.

London, Feb. 1.—British troops on a sinking ship met death with a song, though 916 lives were lost when a transport, destroyer and merchant ship were sunk.

BRAZILIAN FLEET TO AID.

Special to The Times.

Rio Janeiro, Feb. 1.—The Brazilian fleet is to aid the alies in Europen waters and also assumes the responsibility of patrolling its entire coast line.

ANARCHY SWEEPS FINLAND.

Special to The Times.

London, Feb. 1.—Anarchy and revolt swept all Finland. The white guard of the government, however, is said to be gaining ground. Reports are in conflict. The Swedish king has returned to the capital and is planning to send warships.

MEXICANS BEGIN PROBE.

Special to The Times.

Mexico City, Feb. 1.—Mexico will probe the source of the German propaganda there. A committee has been ordered to investigate the charges againt Von Eckhardt.

WAR TO END IN 1918.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Feb. 1.—President Wilson believes the war will end in 1918. The great crisis of the struggle is at hand, and the president tells the farmers we must win, therefore we shall win fighting, for the liberty and self-government of the United States depends on victory. He makes an appeal for aid in the effort made to conserve labor on the farms in order to meet our needs.

AMERICANS BEHIND PERSHING.

Special to The Times.

New York, Feb. 1.—Major Frederick Palmer, the noted war correspondent, the new head of the intelligence section of General Pershing's staff, read a statement last night before the National Unity League. The statement was permitted by Secretary Baker. Major Palmer said the allies are winning. He said: "Preparation is making in France to care for 100 divisions—more than 2,000,000 men—additional. When the United States entered this war it was realized that we were not a military people. Kitchener's problems were light compared with those of Secretary Baker. The magnitude of the initial plans providing for a million men and capable of expansion to two million staggered me at first. They proved that we are not going to war in a small way. There is nothing so American as our army in Frace. None need fear that our soldiers will be unworthy of the American army, both as to courage and skill." Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, told Major Palmer to take back the message that America's men and women are 100 per cent behind Pershing.

Notice to Aliens.

During the week commencing February 9 all alien enemies must appear at my office to register. This includes all natives, citizens, denizens or subjects of Germany and Austria, males of 14 years of age and upwards, who shall be within the United States and who are not actually naturalized American citizens.

M. BRENNAN,
City Marshal.

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About Constipation.

Certain articles of diet tend to check movements of the bowels. The most common of these are cheese, tea and boiled milk. On the other hand raw fruits, especially apples and bananas, also graham bread and whole wheat bread promote a movement of the bowoels. When the bowels are badly constipated, however, the sure way is to take one or two of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper. *

RETALIATION FOR SPANISH MEDDLING

SPANISH SHIPS REFUSED CLEARANCE BECAUSE OF INTERFERENCE WITH ARMY SUPPLIES.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Spanish interference with supplies for the American army across the frontier may meet with swift retaliation by the United States and the Entente, according to indications here. Although it is denied that sailings of Spanish ships at American ports have been held up, it is known that Spanish vessels have been refused clearance pending an adjustment of the situation.

Americans Held Up.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Five Americans are reported to have been denied permission to leave Belgium by the German authorities. An inquiry is being made. It is believed the Germans are acting in retaliatory attitude under the impression that Germans are being detained in the United States.

Strike in Munich.

London, Feb. 1.—A three days' strike has been declared in Munich, according to a Central News despatch from Amsterdam today.

Frech Captured Prisoners.

Paris, Feb. 1.—The French captured a number of prisoners and machine guns in a raid last night on the German lines in the vicinity of Nieuport, Belgium, and in the Rheims sector.

German Treatment of Prisoners.

With the American Army in France, Feb. 1.—Documents in possession of officers instruct Germans to keep all prisoners in a cage for four days without food and compelled to stand all the time. After this period only small quantities of food are to be given.

Confiscate Rumanian Vessels.

London, Feb. 1.—The revolutionary committee of the Bolsheviki has decided to confiscate all transportation facilities of Rumania. About forty steamships and several warships have been seized in Black Sea harbors.

Martial Law in Germany.

London, Feb. 1.—Martial law has been extended to Bremen and Hemelingen, according to reports here. Strikes have broken out in two more Dortmund mines. Strikers at Nuernberg, Bavaria, have resumed work after two demonstration strikes.

Italians Again Advance.

Rome, Fev. 1.—The Austrians yesterday attacked on the Asiago plateau in an attempt to drive the Italians from their newly won positions on Monte de Val Bella. Today's statement says the enemy was unable to reach the Italian line. The Italians at dawn by a sudden attack advanced their lines as far as the head of the Telago valley in this sector.

Strike Situation Unchanged.

London, Feb. 1.—Latest reports indicate that the strike situation in Berlin is unchanged. An Exchange Telegraph Copenhagen despatch says it has not been extended. An Amsterdam despatch says strikers and police clashed Thursday. One policeman was killed and dozen strikers injured. Tehre were minor disturbances in other sections and in the suburbs.

Strike Reached Climax.

Berlin, Feb. 1.—The German press generally agrees that the strike has reached its climax in Berlin and is now receding. The demonstrations, it is said, showed a lack of centralized control.

Attacked Premier Lenine.

London, Feb. 1.—An unsuccessful attempt on the life of Premier Lenine was made last night. A young man in a student's uniform fired a shot at the premier, missing him.

ARMY NEEDS NURSES.

Special to The Times.

San Antonio, Feb. 1.—The army needs nurses worst of all, medical officers say. The number of trained nurses is already rapidly dwindling. The woman's service corps is housed, fed and well paid, and its work is indispensable.

TROTZKY STILL FIRM.

Special to The Times.

Perograd, Feb. 1.—Russia faces new struggle and revolt. War with Rumania and revolution in Filand furnish new perils. Trotzky seems to be firm and declares he will stand out for a democratic peace with the Germans.

PORTO RICO TRAINING CAMP.

San Juan, P. R., Feb. 1.—Several hundred young Porto Ricans, imbued with an enthusiastic desire to serve as officers in the great army that Uncle Sam is sending against the Huns, reported here today for the opening of the second officers' training camp for Porto Rico. Included among the applicants were many of those whose numbers have been called in the draft and who have been been passed by the local board as being fit for military service. The camp is to be under the direction of Lieutenant Colonel Townshend, with a nuber of other seasoned officers as instructors.

HARD ON MR. SLOW-PAY.

Upton, Mass., Feb. 1.—Probably the only place in the entire country where the whole retail trade has been put on a strict basis of credit limited to one week is the town of Upton, which put the system into effect today as a result of an agreement signed by every retail merchant of the town. The action of the storekeepers is taken, they say, because the unlimited charge account is forcing many of them into financial straits. In addition, the Garfield closing orer of the town's only large factory worked severe hardship on the stores.

DANGERS OF A COLD.

Laredo People Will Do Well to Heed Them.

Many bad cases of kidney trouble result from a cold or chill. Congested kidneys fall behind in filtering the poison-laden blood and backache, headache, dizziness and disordered kidney action follow. Don't neglect a cold. Use Doan's Kidney Pills at the first sign of kidney trouble. Follow this Laredo resident's example:

Carmen Zamora, 1408 Iturbide St., says: "Whenver I caught cold or did a little extra work the pain in my back got so bad I couldn't stoop over to save my life. The kidney secretions were scanty and painful in passage, too. One box of Doan's Kidney Pills, which I got from the City Drug Co., cured me and it has been some time since my back has given me any annoyance."

OVER NINE YEARS LATER Mr. Zamora said: "I have had no kidney trouble in some time and I feel confident Doan's Kidney Pills have permanently cured me."

60c, at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgrs., Buffalo N. Y.

From Saturday's Daily.

PLAIN SPEAKING.

In his address to American farmers read before the farmers' conference at the University of Illinois the other day, President Wilson made so plain that any one could understand it why we are fighting the German empire today. He said, in part:

"We as a nation are in the presence of a great task demanding supreme sacrifice and endeavor. The object of the war is the greatest that freemen have ever undertaken. It is to prevent the life of the world being determined and the fortune of men everywhere being affected by small groups of military masters who seek their own interest and selfish dominion throughout the world of governments they unhappily for the moment control. Germany had raised evil hands against us. The rulers of Germany sought to shut off our economic life and intercourse with Europe and confine our people within the Western hemisphere, while they accomplished their purposes that would have permanently impaired every process of our national life and put America's fortunes at the mercy of the imperial government of Germany.

"It has turned out that the forces that fight for freedom—freedom all over the world as well as our own—depend upon us in extraordinary degree for sustenance and for the supply of materials by which men live and fight. When the war is ended it will be our glory that we supplied these materials abundantly through supreme effort and sacrifice."

This makes it plain to all why we are called upon to save food and fuel; not because there is any shortage so far as our normal demand is concerned, but because our allies in the fight for the world's freedom need all we can spare.

This makes it imperative for us to save. We should not have the incentive to save if merely our own dependend upon the sacrifice, but as it is, the lives of the world depend upon us doing all within our power to sacrifice in order that the world's enemy may be crushed and made impotent to do further mischief.

If such a thing were possible as German victory in this war, it would mean sooner or later that we should have to face the same things which the French dan Belgians and Polish people have faced during the past three and a half years. It would mean the same eventually for our women as has happened to the women of Armenia and some of the Balkan states. It would mean the military domination of a world that is sickened to death of fighting. It would mean that we should some day become vassals of the German crown—we whose forefathers fought to free us from the vassalage of the British crown when a monarch less tyrannical and less vile was on that throne.

Mr. Wilson said further: "From farmers came the first shots at Lexington that set aflame the revolution that made America free. I hope and believe that American farmers will willingly stand by to aid this war also. Your intelligence and foresight and self-sacrifice and devotion I believe will bring to a triumphant conclusion this last and greatest war for the emancipation of men from the control of arbitrary governments and the selfishness of class legislation and control. When this is accomplished, we can look each other in the face and be glad that we are Americans and were privileged to play such a great part."

And this is the one sustaining force that makes every American willing and ready to fight for his country, to sacrifice all that need be in order to win and to help the other nations win.

It has been said that we are not a military people. And in the strict sense, we are not, but every military nation that has yet fought us has had occasion to regret that we are at least military enough to whip it.

Our troops in France are equal to those of any nation and the superior to most. We should give them the backing they need and prove that as a nation we are at least the equal of any other on earth, both in military efficiency and self sacrifice.

WILL THEY SUBMIT.

News comes from Germany that the "mailed fist" has reached out in Germany to crush the spreading industrial and political revolt of the masses. In normal times this might be speedily accomplished, but there is a question if the "mailed fist" of the German kaiser inspires the fear and respect that it formerly did.

Whenever a nation of subservient subjects goes to war, the people learn their importance and their strength. The frequent mutinies in the German army and navy indicate that the soldiers and sailors are losing their dread of their superiors, and that they are like the sleeping giant of Russia—awakened to their own strength.

There is no lack of intelligence in Germany. The only thing that has kept the people in subjection is the mistaken notion that the kaiser is God's anointed representative on earth, and that the power of the people lay in doing God's will, as exemplified in the will of the ruler.

That many Germans were freethinkers did not prevent them from looking upon the kaiser as a sort of divinity which shaped their ends, and they gave him as unqualified support as did their brothers of the church.

The socialists have always been a thorn in the flesh of the kaiser and his counsellors, but they too have been subservient when it came to voting supplies and contributing their man power.

But now Germany is on the verge of an awakening that bids fair to threaten the very foundations of the throne. If the German people can be made to see the foolishness of submitting their individual and national will to that of a small group of persons who represent the power and the might which they have robbed from the people, they will demand, not only peace, but a change in the government.

There has always been a fiction in Germany that the people ruled through the Reichstag, but that body has lesser powers than had the commonwealth and the parliament in the time of the Stuarts in England.

Autocratic rule in this world is doomed. There are few nations who still submit to the archaic notion that certain persons are born to rule, and the nations like Norway which elect their king and then render him innoxious by electing a parliament to override all his acts are becoming more and more common.

The strike has never been a popular outdoor sport in Germany for the reason that the army was always ready to suppress revolt whether industrial or political at a sign from the kaiser. Just now the main force of the army is absent, and the police seem powerless to prevent disorder—if indeed they desire to do so—for the police are also discouraged and disheartened by the long duration of the war and the hardships which they, in common with the rest of the populace, have been obliged to suffer.

The only way in which the growing unrest can be curbed in Germany is by overwhelming the strikers by military force. And this would be dangerous in the present temper of the people, who resent the military domination almost as much as the people of Belgium or Poland.

The war may come to an end through the dissatisfaction of the German masses instead of being fought out on the battlefields of the west. If the people, who are said to be without leaders in their present revolt, can only centralize their action, the war will be at an end, for the withdrawal of troops to quell domestic disturbances would mean the victory of the allies on the western front, while to retain the troops in the field would mean the overthrow of the government at home.

The German people have suffered in some ways almost as much as the other victims of the German army. They rae poorly fed poorly clothed, burdened with taxes and with no prospect of relief when the allied troops finally win, which is as inevitable as the coming of the summer.

It may be that our fight will be fought as much by the German people as by our own troops. And may the day hasten.

Another strike has been settled, this time one which threatened the locomotive building industry. The day is coming when this Bolsheviki way of settling disputes will be relegated to the dust heap.

A man in Dallas shot and killed his stepdaughter because he objected to her proposed marriage, and then killed himself. There is small loss when such a man "kicks off," but the pity is that he did not do it first.

The Bolsheviki are more dangerous to their friends than to their enemies. Roumania is now suffering from her alliance with Russia, but some day the present masters of the vodka-soddened moujiks will pay for the damage they are doing.

REGISTRANTS CONCERNED IN NEW RULING ANNOUNCED

Men of Registration Age Who Married After May 18, 1917, May Escape Selective Draft.

The following item published in the press under a New York date is of vital interest to many young men who registered on June 5, but who sought exemption on the ground of having dependents in the way of a wife and having contracted marriage after May 18, 1917:

"Unless it is established that the registrant contracted a hasty marriage for the purpose of evading conscription, a man married after May 18 stands the same under the selective service law as one married previous to that time, according to a ruling of Secretary of War Baker made public here today.

"It was in the form of a letter addressed to Justice Charles E. Hughes, chairman of the district draft appeals board of this city, which he read at a meeting of the board. This is directly opposite to the view previously taken by the board, which had ruled such marriages as not offering admissible evidence bearing on a registrant's standing."

SENATOR NELSON IS 75.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—Senator Knute Nelson of Minnesota today celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of his birth. He was heartily congratulated by his colleagues in the senate. Senator Nelson is a native of Norway and has the distinction of being the first son of that country to sit in the United States senate.

The Laredo Boys at Camp Bowie

Some Personal Notes Regarding What "Our Boys" Are Doing in Texas National Guard Camp at Fort Worth

By G. C. Arnoux, Special Correspondent for the Laredo Times.

With the Texas Troops at Camp Bowie, Jan. 31.—Company B, 141st Infantry, composed of volunteers from Laredo and other points on the border have entered a new phase of training. They have already mastered the elementary work of the soldier and are now having intensified training in grenade throwing, gas attack and defense and bayonet fighting.

Most of this week will be devoted to gas both in offense and defense. Two hours a week are devoted to the use of the gas mask and the men are being taught how to take the mask from its container which is strapped to their chests, put it on their heads and adjust the breathing apparatus in six seconds. It is necessary for the men to be able to make this preparation in six seconds in order to protect themselves against the frequent gas attacks which they will experience when they face the Germans on the battle fronts.

The bayonet fighting is being stressed by the officers and already the men are becoming proficient in this work, which, according to British officers who are instructing the Texas-Oklahoma soldiers here, is the most important single method of fighting the American troops have to learn.

Lieutenant Colonel Applin, a British officer who has seen extensive service on the western front saw the Laredo men in bayonet practice last week and remarked on the agility of the American troops as compared with the soldiers of other countries.

"They will make the finest soldiers the world has ever seen, not excepting those of France and England" he declared enthusiastically. "While they lack the discipline that comes with campaigning conditions and long periods of fighting, they have wonderful potentialities." Colonel Applin was in charge of all the machine guns used by the allies in the battle of Messina Ridge and has had twenty years experience with the King's armies in all parts of the world.

Laredo, represented in the 141st Infantry regiment with less than 100 men, has been signally honored by the selection of four non-commissioned officers from that city to be special bayonet instructors for the regiment. They are all of Company B. They are; Sgt. Hery Eistetter, Corp. Mike Barrera, Corp. Charles Woodul and Corp. Earl C. Brennan. There are only twenty-five of these instructors among the more than 3,000 men in the 141st Infantry. No other company in the regiment has as many as four non-commissioned officers in the corps of special instructors. These men are picked for their agility, leadership, ad skill with the bayonet.

A high standard of health has been reached by Company B and at the present time none of the Laredo men are on the sick list or in the hospital and not a case of mumps is reported in the entire company. The recent cold snaps have not sent any of the company to the hospital although some of the Laredo men are without helmets and wristlets and other of those little togs that make walking post at 2 a. m. pleasant occupantion. The men are in need of helmets, they say. All have been furnished with sweaters by the Girls National Honor Guard.

It happened that not a single Laredo man was among the 355 men picked to be sent to eastern points to fill out other divisions that will leave soon for France. The men left Wednesday for their various destinations. Oscar Burbank has been transferred from Company B to Headquarters Company of the 141st Infantry.

Four men of Company B will be selected to be sent to Fort Hancock, Ga., for special training. The names have not been announced but none of the Laredo men are in the party, it is said.

First Sergeant Adam Bold returned Wednesday from a ten-day furlough at Caldwell, Texas.

Corp, John Gray is expecting to leave for a ten-days furlough soon. He expects to go to Laredo to see relatives.

Eleven men from Company B have been transferred to Headquarters company of the same regiment, among them being Edward Brewster of Laredo who has been assigned to the intelligence department.

Corp. James Fecknagle has been transferred to the 41st Engineers stationed at Washington and has been ordered there. He left Tuesday night for that city.

Sgt. George D. Hodges began his new duties as line sergeant this week by mounting guard. The night happened to be a pleasant one and his initiation into his new duties was not attended by frozen ears and feet, so common during the last few weeks here.

Sgt. H. C. Burr acted as first sergeant of the company in the absence of First Sergeant Adam Bold who was on furlough this week. Sergeant Burr is displaying a suspiciously swollen eye but it happened to have been acquired when a brick which some of the men were tossing about in the orderly's tent, slipped from a hand and struck the Sergeant just above the left eye.

Alphonso Finch, "everybody's pal" and the good fellow of the company, is as "grouchy" as ever according to the Laredo boys.

First Lieut. Alden Muller of Company B, has been promoted to the rank of captain and is now in command of Company K, of the same regiment.

Several promotions are expected among the list of non-coms. during the coming week and as a result many of the privates will have an opportunity to wear stripes. The Laredo boys are hoping for promotions and they have settled down to the task of earning the expected promotions.

Regimental maneuvers were held last week by the 141st Infantry before the officers of the organization. The men also went through battalion movements and executed the movements of the smaller units.

There is school for the non-commissioned officers nearly every night in various subjects, among them being discipline, military courtesy, and the use of the various weapons. The wearers of the stripes are being given the finer points in bayonet fighting and the handling of the automatic rifles and other arms and they in turn are teaching the privates the same lessons.

FUNERAL JAMES J. HAYNES LARGE AND SORROWFUL ONE

Cortege Moved From Home to Episcopal Church Where Services Held, and Thence to City Cemetery.

The funeral of the late James J. Haynes, who died at his home in this city on Thursday afternoon from pneumonia, took place from the home, 1704—Matamoros street, to the Episcopal church yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock and was one of the largest and most sorrowful funeral processions witnessed in this city in many years past.

At the home the casket rested in a veritable bower of beautiful floral designs, these mcte attestations of the high esteem in which the deceased was held by his legion of friends being banked on all sides of the casket, and some having been gently placed on top it. During the day many of the people of Laredo, including old and feeble Mexican men and women who had known "Don Santiago" from the time of his arrival in Laredo in 1881 and had learned to hold him in kindliest esteem, called at the house of sorrow to gaze for the last time on the cold and stilled features of him who lay there in eternal sleep and drop a farewell tear at his bier.

From the home the funeral procession preceded to the Episcopal church, where solemn services were conducted by Rev. Charles W. Cook with the full funeral rites of that church and assisted by the choir. At the grave services were also conducted by Rev. Cook. The Elks, of which organization the deceased was one of the most esteemed members, attended the funeral, but they did not participate in the funeral services with their ritualistic ceremonies. Interment was made in the burial plot of the Elks Lodge, where Mother Earth now holds the remains of a man who is missed by all who knew him. May be rest in peace.

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ENEMY ALIENS THIS COUNTY MUST REGISTER NEXT WEEK

REGISTRATION WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT AT POLICE STATION.

City Marshal M. Brennan Will Carry Out Work in Accordance With Instructions of Federal Authorities.

City Marshal Mike Brennan, as chief of police, and who some time ago was appointed by the federal authorities as registration officer in this immediate section, announces that he has completed plans for the registration of enemy aliens, Monday, February 4, to Saturday, February 9, inclusive, at his office at the police station.

All Germans, Austrians and Hungarians who have not completed their naturalization as American citidens are required to register. Finger prints of the German registrants will be taken. The regulations regarding Austrians and Hungarians are less stringent than those affecting Germans.

Persons required to register should understand that in so doing they are giving proof of their peaceful dispositions and of their intention to conform to the laws of the United States.

Every registrant should read carefully the form of registration affidavit handed to him and ask the registration officer for explanation on all points not clear to him before attempting to fill out the blanks. Registration officers are instructed to give registrants all possible aid in the way of explanation and advice.

Each registrant is required to furnish four unmounted photographs of himself not larger than 3 by 3 inches in size, on thin paper, with light background. All four photographs should be signed by the registrant across the face of the photographs, so as not to obscure the features, if the applicant is able to write.

Three blank forms of registration affidavit must be completely filled out by the registrant or his representative (with the exception of the blanks indicated to be filled out by the registration officer and the description of the registrant and the placing of finger prints on the blank) and must be produced by the registrant personally to the registration officer and be signed and sworn to by the registrant in the presence of and before the registration officer, who will fill in the description of the registrant and supervise the fixing of the finger prints and the attaching of the photographs. If the registrant cannot write he must make his mark in the signature space and affix his left thumb print in the space provided opposite the signature space.

The finger printing is a method of identification and follows the practice observed in the military and naval circles of the United States.

The registrant is hereby informed that he must again present himself before the registration officer who took his oath after ten days but before fifteen days from the last day fixed for registration in his registration district to obtain a registration card, upon which he must sign his name, or make his mark, and place his left thumb print in the presence of the registration officer.

IS CITY LICENSING AGENT AND READY FOR BUSINESS

City Treasurer J. A. Ortiz Holds Similar Appointment in City as J. A. Rodriguez in County.

City Treasurer J. A. Ortiz has been appointed explosives license agent for the city of Laredo by the director of the bureau of mines of the department of the interior. This is an appointment similar to that of County Clerk J. A. Rodriguez who has been named explosives licensing agent for Webb county.

Persons of the city of Laredo having explosives of any kind to purchase or sell must secure the necessary permit from Mr. Ortiz, who can be found at his office, No. 806 Convent Avenue.

SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt, Editor. Phone 70

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Saturday.

The Red Cross Knitting Circle will meet with Mrs. W. W. MacGregor in the afternoon.

Ladies' Night at the 37th Infantry Club.

There will be a meeting of the Red Cross instructors party in afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. G. Earnest, chairman, at 3:30 o'clock.

The Woman's Club Thrift Stamp party in the afternoon at the same hour and place.

Sunday.

The Epworth League of the Methodist Church will meet at the church at 6:30 in the evening.

The Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian Church will hold its regular weekly meeting at the church at 6:45 in the evening.

The B. Y. P. U. Senior and Junior will hold their regular weekly meeting at the Creath Memorial Baptist Church, at 6:45 in the evening.

The Christian Endeavor of the Christian Church will meet at the church at 7:00 in the evening.

Monday.

Red Cross Surgical Room will be open at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon with Mrs. W. D. Butler as instructor.

The Heights Civic Club will meet at the schoolhouse at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Sunbeam Band of the Baptist church will hold their regular meeting at the church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

This May Interest You.

The Times desires all social items of interest and cordially invites its readers to supply such news to the society editor. Send or phone all items about weddings, parties, visitors, dinners, receptions, bazaars, children's parties, etc. If you are leaving town or returning, or have visitors arriving or departing. The Times will be glad to know it. While names will not be used all written communications must be signed. This is imperative to prevent imposition. Phone all society communications to the Society Editor of The Times at No. 70 between 7 and 8 o'clock in the morning and 5 and 8:30 in the evening.

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A willing kindness,
A ready trust,
A bit of blindness
To moth and rust.

A balm of laughter
For anger's heat;
A brave heart after
A sore defeat.

A glad hope, cleaving
Through each new day;
A patience leaving
No stony way.

A warm faith, summing
All life worth while—
Yet, at death's coming,
A fearless smile.

—Charlotte Becker.

General Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Ilfeld have returned from San Antonio. Their son is at Camp Travis, in the quartermaster's department.

Dr. M. P. Cullinan is in Fort Worth and will be there for a week.

Mr. M. Spelicy has returned to Houston after a short stay in the city.

Mrs. T. C. Baker of San Antonio is visiting Mrs. N. C. Windrow.

Mrs. J. H. Tallman, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. T. R. Cole, who has been very ill at the home of Mrs. W. C. Windrow, returned to her home in Cotulla yesterday.

Mr. Ed. Cotulla arrives yesterday from San Antonio to spend a few days with his family.

Miss Pauline Miller came in from San Ignacio to spend the week-end with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Ortiz and little son, Master Joe have arrived home after an absence of several months, most of which time they spent in California.

Club Notes.

The newly organized Camp Fire Girls of the Blue Birds will be known as the "Swastikas." Mrs. W. D. Butler will be the guardian. There will be a meeting every Friday at her home. There are ten members, and five were present yesterday afternoon—Agnes Bennet, Madonna Sorrell, Belva Bergman, Beatrice Barlow and Marguerite Schyler.

Camp Fire Girls.

The Sansugi Camp Fire Girls met yesterday afternoon with Miss Katherine Crutchfield. The girls decided to deny themselves of something for the Toacco Fund. Chocolate and cake were served to: Misses Elsie Werner, Eva Scratchley, Irene Leyendecker, Laura Taylor, Willie Belle Brennan and the hostess.

Boy Scout News.

A special meeting of Troop One, Boy Scouts in Laredo was held at headquarters this morning at nine o'clock. The object of the meeting was to begin work on a gymnasium in the rear of headquarters. Gymnasium apparatus is being secured by the troops, and the boys are expecting a high time in their "gym" as soon as it is completed.

Red Cross Notes.

This has been a banner week at the Red Cross Surgical Room. The attendance has been splendid, ladies from the various church societies have joined in helping and a wonderful amount of work has been accomplished. The Red Cross workers on the Heights, under the direction of Mrs. M. P. Cullinan, have been activity engaged in doing work in their own homes. The convent has also been leading assistance. The Parish Guild of Christ Church, the Tuesday Music and Literary Club, the Honor Guard, the Methodist Missionary Society, in fact every church society and even the social clubs have all combined towards making an extraordinary effort to rush surgical supplies to be sent overseas to meet the expected spring offensive in France. Those present at the Wednesday meeting were: Mesdames Nye, Hobbron, Scovill, Johnston, Vidales, Puster, Weber, McKinney, Garlick, Little, Myer, Dew, Cluck, McComb, Mally, Earnest, Kehl, Anderson, Arkles, Austin, F. M. Ramsay, Arthur, MacGregor, Chas. Ramsay, Kilsby, Woodman, Sory, Sharkey, Deeny and Hamlin.

PERSONALS

George Bawden, a member of the firm of A. Jacob & Co. of Detroit, Mich., wholesale fruit and commission merchants, is stopping at the Hamilton for a few days. Mr. Bawden is a mefber of the Western Fruit Jobbers Association and attended the recent convention at Houston. He is looking over the ground in advance of the coming onion crop.

HAMILTON:—F. B Salazar, New Orleans; Mr. and Mrs. Larralde, Monterey; Ana R. de G. de Cosio, Mexico City; E. Z. Daroux, El Paso; G. W. Young, Neenah, Wis.; J. C. Hume, San Antonio; Mrs. Stephens, Tampico; A. B. Sanders, A. Rosas Valle, San Antonio; L. Rubio, W. W. Loize, San Francisco, Cal.

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COLD WEATHER CONTINNUES AND MERCURY REMAINS LOW

Thermometer Has Been Registering Close to the Freezing Point Past Two Days, But Rain May Follow.

The mercury hovered about the freezing point throughout yesterday afternoon, last night and this morning, but according to the weather report given out by the Fort McIntosh observatory, the minimum was 36 degrees, which is four degrees above freezing. The intense and penetrating cold was caused by the dampness following the light misty rain which prevailed early yesterday morning.

The warmest weather experiencet here yesterday forenoon was when the mercury climbed up to 42 degrees, but it did not stay there long, for most of the afternoon it registered 38 degrees. Last night it dropped slightly and by daybreak this morning the cold was of the penetrating kind. The conditions at this time are favorable for rain, but there have been other occasions when the indications were just as propitious and the precious moisture failed to materialize.

LETTER COMES FROM CHILE FROM FORMER LAREDO FOLKS

Dr. and Mrs. Cook Are Now Located in Portorillas, Chile, Where Dr. Cook is With Mining Company.

The Times is in receipt of a latter from Mrs. O. J. Cook, who is with her husband, Dr. Cook, in Chile, in which she writes under date of Portorillas, Chile, December 27, 1917, as follows:

"Dr. Cook has been transferred to this camp, and it is away up in the Andes mountains. It is much prettier here than at Chuarri, where we were at first, but is much colder in winter, they say. The winter begins about June 1. Want to ask you to please send The Times to us here. We get ever so much pleasure out of it in being able to keep up with our Laredo friends."

The new address of Dr. and Mrs. Cook is now "Care Andes Copper Co., Portorillas, Chile, via Autofagasta." Dr. Cook is physician and surgeon for a big American mining concern in that part of Chile.

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BERLIN NEWS STORY CHARGES SENATOR STONE WITH PLOT TO FOMENT STRIKES

Declared Organization was Founded in Washington New Year's Day with Capital of 250,000,000 Marks to Cause Strikes in Enemy Countries---Stone Declares Statement is Perfectly Absurd.

By Associated Press.

London, Feb. 2.—Berlin despatches detailing an alleged Anglo-American plot to foment revolution in the Central powers are published in Cologne newspapers, according to an Exchange Telegraph Amsterdam despatch. It is said that in Washington New Year's day 250,000,000 marks were subscribed for this purpose. Revolutions were to be organized in Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria. The organization was to be under the leadership of Senator Stone, Earl Reading and Viscount Northcliffe. German-speaking orators would go into Germany to incite strikes.

Stone Said "Ridiculous."

Washington, Feb. 2.—Senator Stone said that the report that he was concerned in an organization to foment strikes in Germany were "perfectly absurd." Mr. Stone said: "The reports might have been circulated in Germany to head off unrest and strikes now going on." The circulation in enemy countries of President Wilson's address might contribute to the rumors, it was suggested by Mr. Stone.

Rioting in Spandau.

London, Feb. 2.—Serious rioting Thursday in Spandau, where important German war industries are located, is reported. Strikers were attacked by a mob.

Four thousand men employed by the harbor works are on strike, according to the Amsterdam despatch. The strikers cut the railway leading to one of the factories. At Stemenstadt, a suburb of Spandau, tramcars were overturned. The mob stormed the bakery, forcing the proprietor to distribute bread without bread cards.

Successful British Raid.

London, Feb. 2.—The British successfully carried out a raid last night southeast of Armentieres, says today's statement, which also records that they repulsed an enemy raid.

Socialist Dittmann Arrested.

Amsterdam, Feb. 2.—Berlin papers say that Wilhelm Dittmann, socialist member of the Reichstag, was arrested when he attempted to address a crowd in the suburbs of Berlin.

National Protest Organized.

London, Feb. 2.—A national demonstration is being organized in Germany as a protest against the arrest of Herr Dittmann, according to an Amsterdam despatch. Chancellor von Hertling, when appealed to, said he was powerless, as Berlin was in the hands of the military.

Must Return to Work.

London, Feb. 2.—Seven Berlin factories have been placed under martial law and the workers ordered to resume work by 7 o'clock Monday morning at the latest. According to a Central News Amsterdam despatch, failure to return is punishable according to military discipline.

WILL TAKE OVER U.S. FUEL INDUSTRIES

PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION TO BE ISSUED SOON PLACING INDUSTRY UNDER GARFIELD.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The government took the last step today toward taking over the fuel industry. The president's proclamation, to be issued soon, will place the industry under the fuel administration and it will be conducted under license.

To Report Railroad Bill.

Washington, Feb. 2.—An agreement has been reached to report favorably Monday the administration railroad bill by the senate interstate commerce committee, which decided that government control should terminate 18 months after the war and gives the president power to initiate rates subject to appeal to the interstate commerce commission.

Marsh Slated for Chief.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Major General Peyton G. Marsh is slated to become acting chief of staff of the army if General Pershing can spare him from his present duty as chief of artillery of the expeditionary forces. No reply has been received from Gen. Pershing.

NOW "LIBERTY" MEASLES.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Feb. 2.—At a United States camp a light type of measles usually called "German measles" raised the camp medical record, and the name of "Liberty measles" was substituted, so it is now a patriotic disease. The ailment is rapidly disappearing from the camp, although previously cases were not unknown.

USES MAILED FIST AT HOME.

Special to The Times.

Amsterdam, Feb. 2.—The "mailed fist" reached out in Germany today to crush the spreading industrial and political revolt of the masses. All public meetings have been prohibited by the government, according to word from Berlin this afternoon. The state of siege, as martial law is called in Germany, which has been introduced in the chief industrial districts, is being tightened. Berlin's streets are said to swarm with troops ordered to fire indiscriminately upon the crowds if disorder occurs.

GERMAN AMERICANS ACT.

Special to The Times.

New York, Feb. 2.—The friends of German Democracy, which organization is composed of patriotic American citizens of Teutonic blood, has issued the following address, signed by President Franz Sigel and other officers: "We urge all Americans of German extraction to assert themselves on the side of democracy in this conflict. Our society will use every means to reach the German people and make the real war issues known. We believe a majority of the German people, if properly informed regarding their own government, would not wait to final death but would rise against the kaiser and the Junkers and establish a democratic government. With such a government America and the allies can and will make peace. We seek to arouse the German people to their duty and their opportunity. We know our action will prove a blessing, both here and in Germany. We hope to see the war end by bringing an earlier victory for the forces of freedom."

BIRTHDAY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE LEAGUE.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—The National Defense League, which has played a rather conspicuous part in the events of the past few years, celebrates its fifth birthday anniversary today. The league was founded at a meeting held in this city February 2, 1913. In the announcement of its aims the league declared its intention to "strive to strenthen all forces which would make the country better prepared for military and naval emergencies." It was further stated that the league abhors war and believes in universal peace but firmly believes that preparation for national defense is the best guarantee of peace.

The first members of the league were Representatives Julius Kahn and Joseph R. Knowland of California, and Senators John R. Thornton and Robert F. Broussard of Louisiana.

EL PASO MEXICAN IS HURLED IN THE AIR

AFTER QUADRUPLE KILLING RESIDENCE WAS DYNAMITED AND MURDERER WAS KILLED.

By Associated Press.

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 2.—Felipe Alvarez, who late last night dangerously wounded Mrs. Trinidad Lucero, killed her two children and killed a policeman and a civilian who sought to capture him, was dislodged from the house where he had barricaded himself this morning by a charge of dynamite. Four charges were exploded before the building was wrecked and Alvarez' body was hurled high in the air.

FORMER CHAMPION DEAD.

By Associated Press.

Abigdon, Mass., Feb. 2.—John L. Sullivan, former world's heavyweight champion boxer, died at his home here today. Heart trouble was the cause of Sullivan's death.

AVIATOR STUDENTS LOST.

By Associated Press.

Macon, Ga., Feb. 2.—Four students of the balloon school at Camp Wheeler who ascended Friday morning have not been heard from since. They traveled in a southeasterly direction after ascending. The theory is advanced that they are marooned in a swamp.

OVERTHREW UKRANIANS.

Special to The Times.

Copenhagen, Feb. 2.—The Ukranian government at Kiev has been overthrown by the Bolsheviki and some of its members have been arrested, said a despatch from Petrograd today. Others fled to Kishiniev, seeking the protection of Rumanian troops. The overturn of the Rada as the Ukranian government was known, will break the efforts of the Ukranians to effect a separate peace with the Central empires, the Bolsheviki at Petrograd were quoted as saying.

NEW TYPE SUBMARINE.

Special to The Times.

Kashington, Feb. 2.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels told the house naval affairs committee about the production of new type submarine craft in quantities in a large automobile factory. The new vessel combines the merits of destroyers and cruisers. It is speedier, but the knots it makes were not disclosed. The standardized parts are fabricated in the factory and sent for assembling to ports. A large number of these craft will be ready soon, supplementing present destroyers and chasers.

THIS IS GROUNDHOG DAY.

This is the day of His Barometric Majesty, Emperor of the Marmots, His Serene Cautiousness Arctomys Monax, the King of the Woodchucks, who in civil life is known as the Groundhog. If he comes out of his hole, and the soothsaying little beast is supposed to come out of his hole on Candlemas day, and this Candlemas day, he will either stay out for a while or go right back. If the sun is shining and he sees his own shadow that will mean six weeks more of winter. If it is gloom and the sky is overcast, he will linger on the surface, for that will mean, so also runs the lore, that winter is over and that taps can be pounded for K. Boreas.

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Tomorrow: "UNTIL THEY GET ME," special production, and "A SANITARIUM SCANDAL," Keystone comedy.

From Friday's Daily.

SOCIALISM AND EFFICIENCY.

The Saturday Evening Post in a recent editorial calls attention to the fact that the present indication in Europe—even in the United States—which has resulted in the extension of the powers of government to the complete control of all manufacturing, transportation and other facilities is not really socialism. It has not resulted in any further management by the workers themselves than the old system; it is simply a condensation of rule in the hands of one or two people, and it is not primarily for the good of the worker save as the defense of the country is good for all.

Especially in this the case with the railroads. The roads are now in the hands of the government, but it is merely because their owners could not, under existing laws, run them as efficiently and as effectively as the government is doing.

One trouble with this was because the government did not direct the railroads, nor would it permit the owners of the roads to direct them efficiently. Certain rules and regulations prohibited the roads from issuing more than a certain amount of stock or bonds, and when the roads asked for an increase in rates to meet the demands of their workers for increased pay, they were refused.

The enormous power that is put into the hands of a few men in the world is far greater than that ever held by Caesar or Charlemagne or Wilhelm II. But it is not given to these men for their own aggrandizement, any more than it is done for the sake of giving the workers a greater share in the profits of the business.

It is merely, as Mr. Lorimer puts it, a different form of the capitalistic system seeking dividends in military efficiency, instead of in wealth in some form or other. It pays out money lavishly for the one object of increasing the military power of the state, and its only idea of economy is to economize time and increase production.

For this reason, those who look upon the present concentration of all control in the hands of the government as forecasting government ownership or control of all utilities when the war is ended have little to go on to prove their tehories.

Rather does it tend to prove that the old system, while it had its faults, is a better system than any that has been advanced by the socialists. Under the present evolution of the capitalistic system, there is increased eficciency, economy in production and more able handling of all utilities and industries, for what? Merely that the government may increase its military power so long as it is needed, and then may return the properties to those who own them.

Of course, it is certain that the railroads, before they are ever returned to the directors, will be made to observe certain rules and regulations which will be as stringent, perhaps, as some of those to which they have objected in the past. But other restrictions will no doubt be removed, for the experience of the government will have taught the administration that the railroads must not be prevented from carrying out proposed reforms and changes if they are to remain as efficient under private management as they are proving under government management.

It is necessary for the government to control all means of transportation, as well the steamers and sailing vessels as the railroads. It may yet be necessary for the great interurban system of the country to also come under government control.

It is necessary that the work of directing all industries be co-ordinated in war time, but it can readily be seen that the government cannot work always at high pressure, and that the industries must be directed by those who have made them possible, developed them to a pitch where they are valuable to the country and kept them running.

But the outlook for socialism is no better than it was before the war began. The only real socialism now in control is in Russia, and all can see where that has led.

KILLING THE GOOSE.

Everyone remembers the fable of the man who killed the goose that laid the golden eggs, and all are agreed that he was the most foolish person who ever lived. That is, all save a few who have lately been astonished at the foolishness of Laredo merchants who are deliberately killing the trade which lays the golden eggs for them.

Some people are never satisfied unless they are getting all that is coming to them, and some day the sheriff will give them the last friendly hand when he tacks the notice of their forced sale on the door.

In the various stores of Laredo there is such a wide divergence in the prices charged for staples that one is forced to the conclusion that either some folks are going to be ruined by their altruism and philanthropy, or else others are robbing their customers.

For intsance, how is it possible that one man can sell the same dairy butter, which is almost as standard in price as gold dollars, for 55c, while his neighbor sells it for 60c? And if one man charges 20c for a can of an advertised brand of salmon, how can another ask 25c for the same article?

We are being urged by the food administration, the department of agriculture and the bureau of fisheries to eat more fish and oysters. We are told that oysters and fish are the only things that have not advanced in price during the past few years, which makes the average consumer give a sardonic grin. It is true that one can still get a dozen oysters—of somewhat inferior quality, as compared with those of former years—for 10c, but when it comes to fish—Wow!

It may be that the local dealers are correct in their contention that they are making but a small margin of profit, but it seems queer that an 8 or 9-pound red snapper can be bought in Chicago for $1 while here it costs $2, or 25c a pound.

And other fish are selling in proportion, while all the time the government bureaus are boasting of the cheapness of sable fish, tile fish and other varieties which are selling as low as 8 or 9 cents a pound some 2,000 miles from the fishing ports, and Corpus Christi is only 150 miles from Laredo, with a daily express train direct from the wharves to the Laredo depot.

It is certain that the fishermen are now receiving no more for their labor than in the past, and if it is true that the fish dealers in Corpus Christi are charging an exorbitant wholesale price for their prouct, it should mean an investigation by the state of Texas or the federal government.

But a few years ago the writer was buying fish in New Orleans, Pensacola and Galveston at prices which made meat seem like the diet of a Croesus. But meat at even 25c a pound is cheaper than fish at the same price, when one considers that the head, scales, fins, skin and all other waste is weighed and charged for by the dealer.

It is stated by several who claim to know that red snapper is selling in Corpus Christi at retail for 12 cents a pound. If that is true, there is no reason why Laredo people should pay 25c.

The local oyster dealers are making a smaller profit than ever before on oysters by the dozen or hundred, for their prices to the local consumer have not advanced, while the wholesale price has advanced from 25 to 40 per cent.

As between ham at 50c, beefsteak at 25c, fish at 25c and even liver at 20c a pound, one is confronted with a dilemma and almost forced to turn vegeterian. It is becoming more costly to live than to die, and even the high price of silver casket handles does not interpose an obstacle to the latter alternative.

If the various government bureaus want us to abstain from meat on two days in the week, they should see to it that the substitutes do not cost more than the meat.

President Wilson, in a letter to the farmers, said the issue of the war must be decided one way or the other this year. Not necessarily, dear President, for if we should be defeated this year every man, woman and child of true American citizenship would fight until annihilated before accepting Prussian domination. Still, the war ought to be won this year, and we believe that by a long, strong pull it can be.

While the Italians are steadily driving the Austrians back and are daily advancing their lines, Berlin says "the enemy was defeated and the Italian prisoners now amount to 600!" That is the sort of tactics we must meet; not so much accomplishment as false reports.

Berlin says the air raid on Paris was in the nature of a reprisal. That's what the fox says when he kills a goose. Reprisal for having been in the way of a drive on the British channel, we presume.

NOTABLE BIRTHDAY TODAY.

FEBRUARY 1.

Maddin Summers, whose position as United States consul-geneal in Moscow is one of more than ordinary importance and responsibilities in view of the existing conlitions in Russia, is 41 years old today. Mr. Summers is a Tennessee man, educated at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, and at Columbian University, Washington, D. C. He entered the consular service as a clerk in 1899, and has steadily risen to high places of responsibility. Besides being vice-consul or consul in cities as widely separated as Barcelona, Madrid, La Paz, Belgrade and Santos, he has done special duty for the State Department at the second Pan-American Congress held in Mexico City in 1901; in Madrid in collecting evidence for the Spanish treaty claims commission, and in Washington as acting chief for the bureau of South American affairs. He was appointed to his post at Moscow a year ago when a special effort was being made to extend trade between Russia and the United States.

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AN IDLE DOLLAR IS KAISER'S ALLY

WAR SAVINGS STAMPS ARE TWO-FOLD—TEACH THRIFT AND HELP NATION TO SUPPLY HER NEED.

Mr. Frank Vanderlip, Chairman of the War Savings Committee, said in his Dallas address: "There are just three things you can do with a dollar: you can hoard it; you can spend it, or you can invest it. Now a hoarded dollar is a slacker dollar and it is not doing anything, but a dollar that is spent foolishly is the dollar that means you are competing with the Government for labor and material—it is a traitor dollar; it is the ally of Germany. There is nothing the Kaiser would like better than to see us going on with pleasure as usual; with comfort and luxury as usual; he would see us go on, demanding the things that prosperity has lead us to think we want, to think that we can afford. We must wake up to the fact that the nation cannot afford to permit us to do the things that we have been able to do. We hear a lot of talk about a united nation, but we must have a united nation, united to the point of sacrifice, trained to self discipline and to see that democracy does not mean a Government in which we play no part. We are beginning to understand that we have a personal responsibility, every man, every woman, and every child, to help win the war. Now what are these War Savings Stamps You have seen them in the windows; you have read something about them. They are little things; they cost a quarter, or $4.12, and we expect to raise $2,000,000,000 from them—the greatest financial transaction ever carried through in this country. Now what is back of it? One thing is that we are going to teach thrift to the whole nation and to a nation that needs it terribly. We are going to have 30,000,000 stock-holders in the United States. If we are really to teach thrift, really build up character so that it will stand self-discipline, make men and women and boys and girls ready to forego the thing of the moment that they may desire so that they may have something of greater value in the future, stimulate industry, encourage those old homely virtues, the virtues by which is to be measured the strength of the nation, then I believe we shall have gone a long way toward compensating us for the money cost of the war."

ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR PRIZE FOR THE BEST ESSAY ON THRIFT.

Louis Lipsitz, State Director, War Savings Committee, will give on April 15th, 1918, a War Savings Certificate of $100.00 for the best essay on Thrift written by any child in school in Texas. Mr. Lipsitz says: "In nearly every county the County Chairmen of War Savings are giving prizes for the best essay written by any school child in Texas, and the essays which take the county prize will compete for the state prize. I am extremely anxious that the 1,200,000 school children learn the basic lesson of thrift and economy. If this can be accomplished, it means the solution of the present economic difficulties of our nation. If thrift is studied and practiced, the great demand for goods and service for running the war will be easily met, so I expect that school children will study thrift and practice it. The County Chairmen will give their prize, select the best essay in the county and send it to me in a letter by April 1st, and of the prize essays from each of the 258 counties, I will have a committee to select the best one, which will receive the $100 prize. I suggest that these essays be not longer than 500 words—that the age of the child be indicated; that they be written in ink, on one side of the paper, by the child competing, with a signed statement that the child received no help in composing the essay, that is, I want it to be the result of the original thought of the child after he or she has studied thoroughly the literature that is obtainable everywhere on the general subject of thrift."

THRIFT STAMPS FOR TIPS.

In all of the hotels and restaurants in Texas a new plan is being inaugurated by Jesse Johnson, one of the Captains in Dallas, working continuously on the sale of War Savings and Thrift Stamps. Mr. Johnson says: "Instead of giving a Pullman porter or waiter a quarter, the thing to do is to say 'have you a thrift card'? If he has, give him a thrift stamp instead of a quarter, and if not, give him a card with a stamp on it. This starts him in the War Savings idea and impresses him with the necessity for co-operation on the part of every person, regardless of wealth or station."

BARGAINS IN STAMPS.

Mr. Frank A. Vanderlip, formerly President of the National City Bank of New York City, and now Chairman of the National War Savings Committee, said in his speech in Dallas on December 16th: "This is the first time in history when the United States Government ever offered anything at bargain prices," and explained that the plan of the Government in selling War Savings Stamps reads like an Oklohoma Oil Well advertisement,—the selling price of a $5.00 stamp being $4.12 in January, $4.13 in February and the price raised one cent per month all during the year. "This should especially appeal to the women," said Mr. Vanderlip, "and cause them to buy now rather than put it off because they cost more as the months go by."

$5.00 BILLS SELLING AT $4.12.

"The United States Government is selling $5.00 War Savings Stamps at $4.12 in January, $4.13 in February, raising the price one cent per month throughout the year," said Louis Lipsitz, State Director of the War Savings Committee, "and I want to impress the fact that a $5.00 bill today will not buy as much or as many of the pleasures of life for which we save money as will a War Savings Stamp when it matures January 1st, 1923. The war cannot be fought with paper money; we cannot wad up a $5.00 bill and shoot it at the Kaiser and do any damage; that bill is merely a demand for wheat, or wool, or gasoline, or some other material which our Government actually needs to successfully win the war, so the wise thing for us to do is not to spend money now but loan it to our Government, get 4% interest compounded quarterly for it, and then five years from now, the Government will cash the stamp and we will have the money to spend—then it will buy more of the things which we want than it will today so that we can spend later. It is not only good sense but it is patriotic as well to buy War Savings Stamps."

A NOVEL SCHEME SUGGESTED.

R. H. Alexander, County Chairman for Coleman County on War Savings work, has put in practice a new scheme to interest school children on the subject of War Savings Stamps. Mr. Louis Lipsitz, State Director, says: "I endorse Mr. Alexander's idea and suggest that in every school a picture of the Kaiser be drawn and put up in the school room. Every child who buys a 25-cent Thrift Stamp is entitled to stick a pin in the Kaiser's picture and this will be a demonstration of the activity of school children in blotting out Kaiserism and autocracy and showing in a graphic way that the 25-cent piece saved and loaned to the Government in the purchase of a Thrift Stamp is going to help to save the child from autocracy and poverty."

SAVE THE CHILD FROM AUTOCRACY AND POVERTY.

This is the new slogan of the War Savings Committee engaged in selling $91,000,000 of War Savings Stamps in Texas. The Federal Government wants every man, woman and child to save and invest their savings in stamps. These stamps mature January 1st, 1923, and earn an interest rate of 4% compounded quarterly. This is not only the best investment possible in war times, but also as President Wilson has said, "Is intended to correct our unpardonable habits of waste and extravagance." The great thing to be accomplished is to preach thrift from every pulpit, teach it in every school and practice it in the home. This is war work in which all may join; it not only helps win the war which saves our children from autocracy but it saves them from poverty as well.

ENGLAND SAVES $650,000,000 A YEAR.

The working people of Great Britain are doing their utmost to help win the war by denying themselves every luxury and loaning the money saved to their Government. The English plan of War Savings Stamps is very much like ours. In the past eighteen months the English people have not only bought $650,000,000 worth of stamps, but the new spirit of thrift has caused savings bank deposits to increase over 100%. There are great signs up all over England, reading, "It is not good form to dress extravagantly," and a woman or man who appears on the street whose dress indicates extravagance, is not only subject to criticism, but in many cases have been attacked and beaten.

WAR SAVINGS SCHEMES.

In Amarillo, each boy who pledges himself to buy Thrift Stamps, receives a poster to hang up in his window, reading, "Thrift boy here, I am working for Uncle Sam,"—then he gets a card signed by Mr. Mayer, Chairman of the Potter County Division which shows he is a member of the army of boys in Amarillo who are ready and anxious to work; who need everything they can get to do and who have promised to save that money for Uncle Sam.

Abe Sobel, a twelve-year-old newsboy at Beaumont, Tex., won the $5.00 prize offered by County Chairman Jas. F. Weed, in the Thrift Contest there last week. In five days he earned $3.79. The only requirement stipulated in Mr. Weed's prize who won must earn the money and submit a statement showing how he earned it. Abe was the first boy to turn in his results and as a consequence, he now owns two Government securities that in 1923 will be worth $10.00.

LAREDO LOSES PROMINENT CITIZEN IN THE DEATH OF JAMES J. HAYNES

Was Native of Rio Grande City and Spent Most of Life on Texas Border; Was Collector of Customs for Fifteen Years; in Service Government Many Years.

A gloom of sorrow was cast over this entire community yesterday afternoon when the sad news rapidly gained circulation chronicling the fact that James J. Haynes had succumbed to the attack of pneumonia which had confined him to his bed just one week. This intelligence caused more genuine sorrow in Laredo than has been experienced in many a year, for Mr. Haynes was one of the most highly esteemed citizens and prominent business men of this section of the state, in fact all of Texas, for he was one of the native sons of old Texas and spent all of the more than 64 years of his life within the confines of the state and held many positions of trust imposed on him by the federal government, and was never found lacking. For thirty-seven years he had made his home here in Laredo, and during that time he made enduring friendships among the best of Laredo's people, while to all James J. Haynes was the same courteous, pleasant gentleman no matter where one met him, while in his official capacities he added dignity to the place and was always willing and ready to accommodate those with whom he had business transactions.

Deceased was recognized as one of the stalwart Republicans of Texas and when his party needed his help, James J. Haynes could always be depended on to do his duty, for his father before him was one of the leading Republicans of Texas when the state was in its infancy, and he remained trut to that affiliation. But he did not seek to impose his political belief on all his friends, for there are thousands of the staunchest Democrats of this state who held him in the highest regard, and to whom the ntws of his death will come laden with grief. The Texas border country knew James J. Haynes best, and he in turn knew every byway, turn and hamlet in the country along the Rio Grande from Laredo to the extreme mouth of that stream at Point Isabebl. To him most of the older inhabitants were personally known, for in boyhood, and later in line of duty, he had traveled along the contours of that stream on the back of a Texas pony or on the seat of a rickety wagon. Thus he had an opportunity to personally acquaint himself with the topography of the lower Rio Grande country and meet and get acquainted with the men who in other days formed the vanguard of the present generation of people who form the population of South Texas. As a young man in 1874 he came to this section, as commercial agent at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, and in 1881 he was transferred to this city, and during all these forty-four years he had made his home in this immediate section, gathering about him friends who were proud to claim his friendship and acquaintance. And to these his death has come as an irreparable loss.

James J. Haynes was born in Rio Grande City, Starr county, Texas, in the lower Rio Grande country, on July 22, 1853, his parents being John L. Haynes and Angelica Wells Haynes. The father, John L. Haynes, during the civil war donned the union blue and was colonel of the First Texas Cavalry of Volunteers, and later he became a prominent figure in Texas politics following the civil war. The subject of this sketch, James J. Haynes, was reared to young manhood principally in Austin, where he attended school and attained the rudiments of his education and later attended higher institutions of learning until he reached his eighteenth year, when he went to Brownsville and entered the federal service as inspector of customs of that port, this being in the year 1872. In 1873 he was appointed as commercial agent of the United States at Mier, Mexico, opposite his native city, and in the following year he came to Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, opposite this city, as commercial agent of the federal government, which position he retained until 1881, when the office was made a consulate. During that year he removed to this city, which he made his home up to the time of his death. Deceased was familiar with all the stirring events of the early days on the Texas frontier, and particularly in the country between Laredo and Brownsville, and he was conversant on all the happenings, including the exploits of Cortina back in the early '50s, the Garza revolution in 1890, the various Mexican troubles since then; in fact he was a veritable encyclopedia when consulted regarding events that transpired in the yesteryears of the history of Texas from shortly after his birth up to the time he closed his eyes in eternal slumber. He was an interesting talker on these historical events, and he could begin with the story of the march of General Taylor and his army to Mexico in 1848 (told to him by his father) transcend on through the years up to the time he was old enough to observe and appreciate what was happening, up to the last events of the past year along the Rio Grande frontier.

After his removal to Laredo in 1881 he acted in the capacity of United States commissioner for about two years, following which he embarked in business for himself as a customs broker. In 1898 he was appointed collector of customs for the Corpus Christi district by the late President McKinley, and when President Roosevelt succeeded the martyred McKinley in the executive office Mr. Haynes was perpetuated in the office by President Roosevelt and President Taft, holding the office up to 1913, (a total of fifteen years) when the Democratic administration put Collector Frank Babb in the place of Mr. Haynes as collector of the then Laredo customs district. Deceased then resumed his old business as a customs broker, which he continued up to the time of his death, enjoying a lucrative patronage from patrons of the local customshouse in transactions through the Nuevo Laredo customshouse.

He was married in this city a number of years ago to Miss Angela M. Arizola of San Antonio, who survives him. He also leaves two brothers, Leonard Haynes, a prominent ranchman, and Robert A. Haynes, immigration inspector, both of this city, all of whom have the sympathy of their many friends in the sad loss which has bereft them of a loving husband and affectionate brother.

Deceased was a member of the Elks Lodge of this city, and this organization will attend the funeral in a body, the funeral taking place from the Episcopal church this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, with interment in the Elks plot in the city cemetery. The pallbearers announced for the funeral are the following: Active—R. K. Mims, Justo S. Penn, H. H. Jefferies, Jesse Cobb, W. P. May and P. P. Leyendecker. Honorary: M. T. Cogley, C. G. Brewster, G. C. Woodman, Shelby Theriot, Francisco Alegria, Francisco Vizcaya, A. M. Bruni, D. Sanchez, John A. Valls, J. F. Mullally, A. C. Richter, L. J. Christen, W. N. Young, Albert Urbahn, E. Denike, S. V. Edwards, Thos. O'Connor, Col. H. T. Ferguson and Marshall Hicks.

Messages of Condolence.

Among the many messages of condolence received on the death of Mr. Haynes was one from Congressman-at-Large Jeff: McLemore, as follows: "I am truly grieved to hear of the death of my old friend, Colonel James J. Haynes, and I hope you will tender my sincerest sympathy to his family.

JEFF: McLEMORE."

Chamberlain's Tablets.

These Tablets are intended especially for disorders of the stomach, liver and bowels. If you are troubled with heartburn, indigestion or constipation they will do you good. **

LAREDO MAKES GOOD RECENT PLEDGE TO WAR DEPARTMENT

ANTI-VICE CRUSADE IN THIS CITY ACCOMPLISHES RESULTS.

Public Officers Acting Promptly Upon Suggestion of War Department Made Laredo a Clean City.

The citizens have cause to be proud of the splendid work done by the police department in stamping out commercialized vice in the city. A few months ago the War Department requested our public officers that a campaign to "clean up" be inaugurated. By one sweeping order all disreputable houses were closed, but there still remained the aggravating problem of getting rid of the inmates, the presence of whom would only tend to make the situation worse instead of better.

This phase of the problem was taken up by the police department, the business men of the city through the Chamber of Commerce, giving their hearty endorsement of the movement. Mayor McComb and Marshal Brennan co-operated in the law enforcement campaign and a great number of arrests, prosecutions and convictions followed. The City Marshal detailed special police to this work, among whom was Abel Cantu, who worked faithfully and to such good effect as to justify the confidence that was placed in him by his superior officer and who aided in bringing great credit to the Laredo Police Department.

Laredo is now a clean city. More than 300 women of evil character have been driven from the city and a clean environment has been created, not only for the U. S. troops who are quartered here, but for our own citizenship as well. The pledges given to the War Department have been redeemed; but there is to be no abandonment of the work that has been thus far conducted so successfully.

Expressions of appreciation of the work done in Laredo have been received from Major-General J. W. Ruckman at San Antonio, from Washington and from other sources. The U. S. Department of Justice, the District Attorney, the Mayor and the police department and the military authorities at Fort McIntosh have all worked in harmony and the business men of the city, through the Chamber of Commerce have stood solidly with the public officers throughout this campaign, which has brought credit to Laredo.

At some of the other army camps there have been complaints against police officers and other public officials, but when the call from Washington came, Laredo needed no urging nor public indignation meetings. Our public officers went to work quietly and methodically and accomplished results. Laredo has never yet heard a call from the War Department to which she failed to respond.

GIRL'S STATEMENT WILL HELP LAREDO.

Here is the girl's own story: "For years I had dyspepsia, sour stomach and constipation. I drank hot water and olive oil by the gallon. Nothing helped until I tried buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as mixed in Adler-i-ka. ONE SPOONFUL helped me INSTANTLY." Because Adler-i-ka flushes the ENTIRE alimentary tract it relieves ANY CASE constipation, sour stomach or gas and prevents appendicitis. It has QUICKEST action of anything we ever sold. The City Drug Co.

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Today's Program:

Vivian Martin in "THE FAIR BARBARIAN." See charming Vivian Martin in this delightful story of the American girl in England but the Land of the Free.

Also Wm. S. Hart in "JIM GRIGGS' DECISION," a typical Hart picture filled with wondrous pictures of the Great West.

Prices: Children 5c, balcony 10c, lower floor 15c.

Tomorrow: Chester Conkling in his latest comedy, "HIS HIDDEN PURPOSE," in two parts.

From Thursday's Daily.

TELLS HORRIFYING STORY OF EVENTS ON BATTLEFIELD

FRENCH SOLDIERS CHEWED FLESH OF DEAD COMRADES.

Then in Hand-to-Hand Fighting With Germans the French Went After Adversaries in Bulldog Manner.

Charles Tannenbaum of this city is in receipt of a letter from Sergeant William F. May of the 48th Infantry stationed at Camp Hill, Newport News, Va., in which he tells of the arrival at that place of a large number of New Zealanders from the battlefields of France and relates the following horrifying story told by some of the men: "There have been several transport loads of New Zealand soldiers who have arrived here on their way home from France and they seem to think that the war will last several years yet. Some have one leg off, some both legs off, some one arm, others both arms and quite a few of them have been wounded several times. Those New Zealanders say that the fighting was so intense at the battle of Verdun that the French had to cut pieces of flesh off the dead bodies lying about them and chew it up to get the juice out of it and then spit it out. Also that there was such enmity between the French and Germans that often in hand-to-hand fighting the Frenchman would kill the German by the bulldog method of cutting his jugular vein with his teeth, and that often they would find both dead side by side. Then they would have a hard time prying the Frenchman's teeth loose, for he died with a death grip on his adversary.

Continuing further, Sergeant May says: "I received a letter from one of the old Ninth Infantry boys the other day and they are soon to go on the firing line. They all seem to like it fine, but say that it is quite cold 'over there.' Captain Loeb, whom you all know, is now Lieut. Colonel Loeb. I am with the 48th Infantry now and I guess that the kaiser will not have a chance to shoot at me for some time, as the 48th is scheduled to do home guard here in Newport News."

Sergeant May is well known in Laredo, where he was a member of the old Ninth Infantry.

THE LAST DAY HAS ARRIVED FOR ISSUANCE POLL TAXIS

RUSH IS ON AT OFFICES OF CITY AND COUNTY TAX COLLECTORS

Indications Are That There Will Be Big Increase in Payments This Year Over That of Year 1916.

With a genuine rush in evidence at the eleventh hour, the offices of the city and county tax collectors are today busy places with the numerous persons awaiting their turn to get poll tax receipts in order to be enabled to cast their votes in any elections to be held in Laredo and Webb county during the present year.

The rush to pay poll taxes began proper on Monday morning, and since that time both offices have presented animated scenes with the many applicants for poll taxes standing around awaiting an opportunity to get their poll tax receipts. The indications are that the number of poll taxes to be issued in the county this year will be in excess of that of 1916, and this notwithstanding the fact that many young men eligible to vote have answered the call to the colors and can not take out poll taxes.

In order to accimmodate late comers both the city and county tax collectors will keep their offices open until midnight tonight.

CLEVER SMUGGLING STUNT UNEARTHED BY INSPECTOR

Can Supposed to Contain Gasoline Had False Bottom, Upper Part With Water and Lower With Sugar.

A clever smuggling stunt was nipped in the bud at the international footbridge yesterday afternoon when a customs inspector, by making an investigation, discovered the latest smuggling stunt in order to get sugar across to the Mexican side to evade the federal license requirements.

A Mexican driving a wagon, and who has been making frequent trips between the two Laredos, ostensibly for the delivery of ice from this side, and who carried two five-gallon cans supposed to contain gasoline, was stopped and in tapping one of the cans it was discovered that the sound was a peculiar one. A stick was inserted in the can and struck bottom half way down. Then it was found that the can contained a false bottom, with water in the upper compartment and about twenty-five pounds of sugar in the lower compartment. The man driving the wagon said he was hauling the load for another party. The matter is being thoroughly investigated.

Heartburn, indigestion or distress of the stomach is instantly relieved by HERBINE. It forces the badly digested food out of the body and restores tone in the stomach and bowels. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists. x

THE CRISIS IN AUSTRIA.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—The European despatches leave no room for doubt that Austria-Hungary is now in the shadow of a great crisis.

On all sides the question is: "And is this the beginning of the end? Is the great polyglot empire of central Europe, the proudest aristocracy of the century, the bulwark of monarchy, the invulnerable fortress of Catholicism and the stronghold through the ages of the towering house of Hapsburg doomed to go down at last under the onslaught of its own people?"

In the present crisis facing the dual monarchy, the saying of Thucydides is fulfilled that a country of many races always tends toward revolution. Its composite character, even more than the conditions arising from the war, is the secret of the empire's troubles.

In race, language and religion, the empire is equally complex. Roughly speaking, the inhabitants include about 17,500,000 Slavs of various kinds, embracing Croats, Slavonians, Czechs, Serbs, Poles, etc.; 9,000,000 Germans, 6,000,000 Magyars, several million Wallachs or Roumanians, a million or more Jews, half a million Italians, and minor contingents of Armenians, Bulgars, Greeks, Albanians, Turks and others, each with its own language, literature, manners and customs. Religious creeds also vary. About two-thirds of all are Roman Catholics. Something more than one-half of the Magyars are Evangelical Protestants, while Greek Catholics make up about one-tenth of the whole.

Bohemia appears to be the present storm-center. The Bohemians have long cherished a desire for independence and from all accounts they evidently see in the present crisis an opportunty to get a few steps nearer their goal even if they do not gain it completely.

The Czechs have never entered into the present war with enthusiasm. it is a German made war and the Czech has no love for the German. While in the minority numerically, the Germans are the dominant race in the Austro-Hungarian empire and they have unceasingly worked to preserve this supremacy by throttling eery attempt of the Czechs, the Magyars and the other elements of the polyglot nation to extend their political influence.

Despite these efforts, the Czech spirit has grown and expended marvelously in recent years. Czech books and newspapers have multiplied. A Czech university was founded at Prague. In 1897, after a long and furious agitation Czech was made the, or an, official language of Bohemia, and the Germans were politically driven to the wall.

For generations the Czecha of Bohemia, the Slovenes of Carniola and the Wends of Carinthia have been thorns in the festering flesh of the Germanized Austrian Government, and countless and far-reaching in their potency have been the concessions these alienated nationlities have wrung from the imperial parliament tending, one and all, to the ultimate independence of self-government of these provinces of the empire. The prerogatives the Austrian Germans enjoyed and exercised one upon a time, prerogatives which secured to them a complete ascendancy over the heterogeneous nationalities in the educational and political life of the country, are now likely to be lost to them irretrievabiy.

The ruling feudal aristocracy of Bohemia, Marovia, Austrian Silesia and Carniola is antagonistic to German institutions, and as stanch supporters of the Roman Catholic clergy have exerted their influence in the imperial counsels to thwart every attempt made by the German elements to recover their authonomy. The vast majority of the clergy, being of peasant parentage, are Czechs and Slovenes at heart, and have always been loud in denouncing from pulpit and platform every Germanic or Germanizing encreachment.

Has the time arrived when the empire long considered as the keystone in the international arch of the old world is to crumble, destroying in its fall the alliance of the Central Powers? This is the question which the far-seeing men on the Thames, on the Seine, in the Tiber, and on the Potomac are now anxiously pondering over.

THE RED BOOK.

The January number of the "Railroad Red Book" contains the most comprehensive review of the resources and attractions of the Rocky Mountain Region yet issued. It is prefaced by telegrams from the editors of leading daily newspapers, all of which carry an optimistic note with regards to the future.

The environments of the principal communities served by the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad in Colorado, Utah and New Mexico are interestingly set forth. The mining, manufacturing, agricultural and the new shale oil industries are reviewed by persons well versed in their respective lines and the various tourist attractions of the Rockies, such as the National Parks, National Forests, trout streams and highways, are given splendid representation.

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SOCIETY

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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Thursday.

Red Cross Surgical Room will be in charge of Mrs. Horace Hamlin at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Heights Red Cross Knitting Circle will meet with Mrs. T. A. Bunn at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Woman's Club will have a program at the Army Y. M. C. A. in the evening.

Friday.

Thrift Stamp party at former Latin-American club rooms at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon, under auspices of the Woman's Club.

Boy Scout Troop No. 2 will hold their regular meeting in the evening.

Latin-American Club will hold their weekly hop from 8 to 12 o'clock in the evening.

The Maira Club will entertain with a box party at the Strand in the evening.

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Submission? They have preached all that so long,
As though the head bowed down would right the wrong,
As though the folded hand, the coward heart
Were saintly signs of souls sublimely strong;
As though the man who acts the waiting part
And but submits, had little wings a-start.
But may I never reach that anguished plight
Where I at last grow weary of the fight.

Submission: "Wrong of course must ever be
Because it ever was. 'Tis not for me
To seek a change; to strike the maiden blow.
'Tis best to bow the head and not to see;
'Tis best to dream, that we need never know
The truth. To turn our eyes away from woe."
Perhaps. But ah—I pray for keener sight,
And may I not grow weary of the fight!

—Miriam Teichner.

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General Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. Watts of Toronto, Canada, are in the city for a few days, en route to Tampico, Mexico.

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Mrs. Rodger Cook left today for Crystal City to visit relatives.

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Miss Bracken is a visitor in San Antonio this week.

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Mr. J. W. Derby of Monterey is among the visitors in the city this week.

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Mr. Randolph Robertson arrived last night from Monterey for a short stay in the city.

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Red Cross Notes.

The Red Cross Surgical Room was enabled to accomplish a great deal of work yesterday morning and afternoon, owing to the splendid attendance. Two boxes of hospital supplies were finished, packed and shipped by express. The contents were: 1055 gauze rolls, three yards by 4½ inches; 120 gauze rolls, five yards by 4½ inches, making a total of 1175 rolls. The box was valued at $103.

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Entertainment.

The members of the Auction Bridge Club and a number of guests were most delightfully entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. R. L. Muller. After an interesting series of games the high score club prize went to Mrs. M. T. Cogley, who received a lovely fern dish in pottery. The guest prize was awarded Mrs. B. F. Wright, who was given a set of sherbet glasses. A delicious salad course followed the games. Those who enjoyed the hospitality of the afternoon were: Club members—Mesdames E. H. Buenz, J. R. Leyendecker, M. T. Cogley, J. B. Morton, L. J. Christen, J. S. Penn, A. Wormser, E. H. Sauvignet, W. N. Young, Leon Daiches, M. S. Ryan and J. C. Martin: The guests included Mesdames Shelby, Tucker, Greer, Jones, Dwuan and Wilson.

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Thrift Stamp Party.

Preparations for making the Thrift Stamp Party a success tomorrow move on apace. Mrs. Puster and Mrs. Applewhite are in charge of arranging the hall, Mrs. Joseph Netzer is arranging for necessary chairs and tables, Mrs. Slaughter and Mrs. Harry Shelby will look after decorations, Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Asher Smith will be at the door. Mrs. Cohn assisted by Mrs. Buenz and Mrs. McKinney and a bevy of attractive young ladies will serve the simple refreshments planned. The interest shown so far is very gratifying—but that may be taken for granted since Laredo people always answer up to a patriotic appeal.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

PERSONALS

G. A. Welhausen of Encinal is a visitor in the city.

H. H. Jefferies is in the city from his ranch for a short business visit.

J. B. Hazelrigg of San Antonio arrived in the city this morning.

Chsa. H. Stowers left yesterday for San Antonio on a short business visit.

Captain J. J. Sanders and Ranger J. B. Brooks of Alice arrived in the city yesterday and are stopping at the Bender.

Randolph Robertson of Monterey is in the city and is stopping at the Bender.

BENDER:—M. J. Castro, San Antonio; J. F. Argueso, Ney York; John Elridge, Jeff Elridge, Longview; Dr. F. Carroll, Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. C. Burnard, Mr. and Mrs. Bolching, New York; J. G. Masson, Mexico; E. Haneison, San Antonio; C. B. Watts and wife, Toronto, Can.; C. H. Woodson, San Antonio; E. M. Mentor, Dallas; J. J. Sanders, J. B. Brooks, Alice; Chas. M. E. Ora, Chicago; E. F. Sada and wife, Monterey; A. V. Serabio, R. P. Tyarly, New York; Randolph Robertson, Monterey; R. E. Hix, Bartlesville, Okla.; I. Reyniso, Monterey.

HAMILTON:—Antonio Rixas, W. S. Chadwick, A. Fenseller, O. G. Sturce, C. A. Holeman, A. V. Sanders, Miss Nan Young, San Antonio; B. Stevenson, Tampico; Jose Esquivel, Mexico; C. E. Reed, Kenton, O.; W. D. Beougher, Chas. M. Orr, Chicago; D. Head, Durant, Okla.; R. P. Bryarly, Sherman; J. M. Diaz, Santa Fe, N. M.; J. Frank Groman, San Antonio; F. H. Bagley, New York; Jesus Trejo, J. B. Hazelrigg, C. C. Hackenjos, J. E. Atkinson, Jose Ortiz, San Antonio.

save

1-wheat
use more corn

2-meat
use more fish & beans

3-fats
use just enough

4-sugar
use syrups

and serve
the cause of freedom
U. S. FOOD ADMINISTRATION

A MILLION MEN IN GERMANY STRIKE AND DEMAND IMMEDIATE NEGOTIATION FOR PEACE

Strike has Spread from Berlin to Outlying Districts and German Munition Factories and Shipbuilding Plants are Seriously Affected—The Men will Listen to Nothing but Question of Peace.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 31.—The German strike is still growing in magnitude, the Exchange Telegraph Copenhagen correspondent reports. In Berlin 700,000 persons are on strike, 58,000 of whom are women. A great fog hangs over Berlin, making it impossible for the authorities to prevent the dissemination of pamphlets, the report states.

The strikers have demanded immediate negotiations for a general peace on the basis of no indemnities and no annexations and for several other more liberal measures. Many factories, including munition and shipbuilding plants, are said to be affected.

Berlin's 120,000 Strikers.

Amsterdam, Jan. 31.—The number of strikers in Berlin is estimated at about 120,000, according to a semi-official statement yesterday from Berlin.

Strike is Extending.

Amsterdam, Jan. 31.—The German strike has been extended in districts near Berlin, especially Tegel, Aldershof, Spandau and Mariendorf, where 500,000 men have quit work. A similar number of workingmen are striking in the remainder of the empire.

Italian Attacks Failed.

Berlin, Jan. 31.—Italian attacks yesterday on the northern front broke down under German fire, the war office says. The Teutons in recent fighting increased the number of prisoners to 600.

British Front Quiet.

London, Jan. 21.—The British front is quiet with the exception of some hostile artillery activity south and north of Lens and a British patrol raid which resulted in the capture of some prisoners.

Two Americans Killed.

With the American Army in France, Jan. 31.—Two Americans were killed and four wounded, and another is missing and believed to be captured, when an American position on the French front was raided by the enemy shortly after daylight this morning. The raid occurred during a heavy fog and was accompanied by a violent artillery barrage. The casualties that have been given out in Washington have occurred in this sector. The deaths were caused by shell fire, mostly shrapnel. The enemy casualties from American cannon and machine guns are said to have been as great or greater than the American losses.

State of Siege in Germany.

Copenhagen, Jan. 31.—A state of siege has been declared at Hambuhg, Altona and Wandsbeck, according to the socialist paper, the Hamburg Echo.

Increase in Shipping Losses.

London, Jan. 31.—An increase in British shipping losses is shown in last night's weekly summary, which reported the destruction of nine vessels of more and six of less than 1,600 tons.

Want Reichstag Summoned.

London, Jan. 31.—Socialist leaders in Germany, according to advices here, have asked the president of the Reichstag to summon that body immediately in view of the alarming events of the past ten days.

Twenty Persons Killed.

Paris, Jan. 31.—Twenty persons were killed and fifty wounded in last night's air raid over Paris. One raider was brought down and its occupants are prisoners.

Berlin Calls it Reprisal.

Berlin, Jan. 31.—Official statement today says that fourteen tons of bombs were dropped on Paris last night as reprisals.

Plan New Red Army.

Petrograd, Jan. 31.—The official announcement by the Bolsheviki government says "the new workmen's and peasants' army will serve to support the coming social revolution in Europe."

British Casualty List.

London, Jan. 31.—British casualties during January totalled 73,017, divided as follows: Killed or died of wounds—Officers 358; men 13,698; wounded or missing—Officers 1,205; men 57,756. These figures show about 6,000 less than the December casualties.

NO TIME SET FOR DRAFT.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 31.—No time has yet been set for the next draft. The president has authority to call an additional million men. Secretary Baker has legislation ready for presentation to congress, but the time has not been set.

THE MERCURY SQUAD.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 31.—The United States training camps now have "mercury squads," a title given athletes chosen for their running ability assigned to special duty to carry messages to imperilled outposts. The idea was brought from Europe by Maor General Scott, who noted that the usual signalling apparatus was sometimes destroyed and communication interrupted.

GIRLS FOR FARM WORK.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Registration of college girls, as well as leisure class and other women available for voluntary farm work next summer, is planned by the department of labor. The chief of the farm service division in announcing plans for the enrollment throughout the country said: "Much female labor is usable and needed."

RATIONS FOR WEALTHY WOMEN.

Special to The Times.

New York, Jan. 31.—A voluntary food rationing program has been adopted by the city's wealthiest women, meeting at the home of Mrs. William Douglas Sloane. More than 300 enrolled for the "honor system," and expect to get 60,000 members. An announcement from the federal food board says that the program is "intended exclusively for housewives whose families are blessed with a large share of this world's goods."

WORK FOR WOMEN.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Mrs. George Lathrop, president of the American Fund for French Wounded, said today: "American women should not go abroad from the United States until sent for. American women are 'willing to do anything,' but without training as nurse, typist, telephone operator or other specialty should be barred. They ought to be willing to work to do their part at home by saving food in all possible ways. A vast field for feminine work is open in this country. Red Cross hospital supplies are vitally needed in France for the next three months. They should take precedence over everything else in anticipation of a German drive this spring."

OUR NEED IS SHIPS.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Edward N. Hurley, chairman of the United States shipping board, in addressing a delegation of "four-minute men," an organization of 40,000, asked for publicity to aid in spreading an understanding of the fact that the nation's war plans rest upon man power and the ability to construct ships in time. The four-minute men agreed to start a fortnight's speaking campaign immediately. Mr. Hurley said: "If Americans understood the necessity for building ships before the war can be won they would subordinate local needs. Not merely the nation's safety depends upon the quick building of ships, but even industry must be disturbed until all shipyards are working at maximum capacity. Within 60 days we require 250,000 skilled mechanics to build ships fast, so that they can carry supplies to our boys in the trenches of France."

Trustee's Sale.

By virtue of authority vested in me under deed of trust, executed Jan. 19, I will on the fifth day of February, between the hours of 10 and 12 a. m., offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash the stock of merchandise and fixtures formerly belonging to Domingo Arredondo, at 1111 Lincoln street in the City of Laredo, consisting of the following merchandise at cost $8,336.83, fixtures $479.75. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. C. S. Dudley, trustee, North Texas Building, Dallas, Texas. 1-31-4t.

WILSON ADDRESSED AMERICAN FARMERS

SAYS ISSUE OF CONFLICT BE DETERMINED ONE WAY WAY OR OTHER DURING THE YEAR.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 31.—President Wilson in a message addressed to the farmers of the United States read before the conference being held at the University of Illinois called upon them for their assistance and said the country needs them during the coming year of war. That the achievements of this year on one side or the other must determine the issue.

Demand for Increases.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Demands for wage increases pending before the railway commission aggregate 40 per cent. They represent nearly $500,000,000 a year, or about half the railway operating income last year.

TO HELP SOLDIERS.

Special to The Times.

New York, Jan. 31.—A large quantity of a newly discovered drug has been shipped to the American forces overseas. The function of this drug is to detect kidney defects before they are in an advanced stage. It is regarded as important in minimizing diseases among soldiers.

HEALTHIER IN TENTS.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Secretary of War Baker said today that Surgeon General Gorgas believed that men in camps live a healthier life in tents than in barracks. The military affairs committee reported favorably two resolutions making two million men in class 1 available for service.

SPORT CHATTER.

Al Delmont, one time prominent as a lighweight, has been chosen boxing instructor at Phillips Andover Academy.

The headline "Ty Cobb to Be Drafted" should not be taken to mean that the Tiger star is going up to the White Sox.

Horse named Clean-Up has been living up to its name at the Havana race track. At any rate the owners of the nag have cleaning up.

The Detroit Tigers have lost two regulars, George Burns and Howard Ehmke, and eight recruit pastimers through enlisment or draft.

Johnny Dundee has called off his bout with Willie Jackson scheduled for Philadelphia next month, on account of his being booked for the bouts in New Orleans.

Word is being passed along the line that the veteran Steve Yerkes, hero of a dozen leagues, is all set for a return to the big show as a member of the Cardinals.

'Tis said that Waite Hoyt, the Giants' school-boy pitcher, is to get his long-looked-for chance to shine as a regular heaver this spring.

SPECIAL ELECTION FEB. 15 CREATING SOME INTEREST

Paul W. Evans and E. A. Atlee, Two Attorneys, Are Candidates to Succeed Representative Woodul.

A special election will be held in this city and county on February to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Representative Walter Woodul, who gave up the position of member of the legislature from this representative district to accept the position of assistant adjutant general.

As the time draws near for the election interest begins to manifest itself and a close contest is expected between the two aspirants now in the race; Paul W. Evans and Edwin A. Atlee, both attorneys of this city. It is believed these will be the only candidates in the race.

Notice to the Public.

Beginning on the 1st of February I am compelled to raise the price of milk to 20c a quart, 60c a gallon.

M. A. HARPER,
1-29-3t.

From Wednesday's Daily.

PAMPERING SOLDIERS.

There is a question in the minds of many officers of the regular army if the present "pampering of the soldiers," as they call it, is not unfitting a great many of the men for the real work of a soldier.

There would seem to be justice in the question, for after all, a soldier's real work is to fight. He may not be up to the standard of pink teas, or society hops, and he may be a roughneck of the worst variety, but if he will fight when called upon to do so, much will be forgiven him.

Many people seem to lose sight of the real reason for the army. They speak of the necessity of guarding our men from contaminating influences, of keeping up the home spirit and of improving their morals, if not their religion. But in the final analysis, it does not require efficiency in handing round teacups to enable a soldier to fight, especially as fighting is now carried on.

The real military training is going on alongside the "coddling" to which some of the officers object, and it is only fair to say that the latter takes up a small portion of the soldier's time. But he must not be permitted to believe that in the modern warfare, especially with the enemy he is going against, there will be any chivalry or humanity or even manliness. To be even 90 per cent effective against the Hun he must be about 95 per cent brute.

The soldiers in the Civil War had not the opportunities which are now given our soldiers. They had no Y. M. C. A. huts, no comfortable hospitals with anaesthetics and the latest surgical equipment, no concerts and movie shows, no daily visits from committees of ladies to take their minds off the real work in hand. Yet there is no one who can deny that our soldiers in that far-off period, as it seems to us now, were efficient. And that applies to the men on both sides. Yet despite the lack of softening influences, there was as much chivalry shown as ever in the times of the Crusaders, and the men were not dehumanized by the terrible experiences they went through.

This does not mean that we should refrain from doing all that we can for the young men who have answered their country's call. They are entitled to all that we can give them, even though our tender solicitude for them does sometimes verge upon the grotesque.

It takes a great deal to destroy the manhood of the average young American, so we feel that our soldiers will rise superior to all that has tended to soften them, and that we shall find mighty few mollycoddles among them when the time comes to show the stuff they are made of.

A man need not be less a man because he is subjected to refining influences, nor need he lose all of the brute that is in him and which is so much needed in warfare because he has been treated with consideration and human sympathy. Otherwise, our college football games would be like the diversions of an old ladies' home, for our college boys are submitted to much the same influences with which the soldiers of the present day are surrounded.

The soldier must remember that when he gets into the game he must buck the line as hard as his muscle and his training will permit him. He must have no compunction at driving his bayonet home, even though his innate humanity will permit him to care for the wounded or dying enemy as soon as the fighting is over. He must shoot straight and fast, and he must never let the sporting instinct get the better of him so long as he is opposed to a foe who will cut an enemy's throat rather than be bothered with a prisoner.

Above all, he must remember that he is fighting to prevent the same things happening to his own women folk as he will see happening to the women folk of France or Belgium or wherever else the German beast has been. He must show his gratitude for what the women of America have done for him by making their future safe from the Hun.

He may get spoiled by a little coddling, but he will fight all the harder for it when he gets away from it all. He can't help it.

A MODERN ABSALOM.

"And the king was much moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, thus he said: O my son Absalom! my son, my son Absalom! would God I had died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son!"

The beloved son of David had rebelled against his father, and there was war throughout the land. Absalom was killed while fleeing, and the king, his father, mourned more over him who had been a rebel than he might have mourned for one that was a loyal son.

The news comes from Berlin that there is a movement on foot, headed by the crown prince of Germany, to force the king to abdicate in favor of his worthless and corrupt son. The crown prince declares that his father has given too free a hand to the socialists, and the newspaper which is the organ of the movement openly charges that the kaiser has sold the empire to the socialists!

Well may the kaiser say: "Thy glories are departed." Yet who is to blame for this state of affairs? Who has taught his people that they were answerable to no one but him? Who has crushed out all filial respect in order that the children of Germany might reverence only the kaiser? Who has encouraged the wilful son in his deeds of shame and has permitted him to lead in the war councils, although every one knows that he has less than the average intelligence and is absolutely given up to vice?

Will this new Absalom triumph in the conflict which seems certain to come? Will the imperious autocrat permit this rebellion on the part of his own son, or will he call to his side those who are loyal to him and crush out the revolt before it has gathered headway?

These are questions which cannot be answered, even by those who know the kaiser best. He is a broken man, with all the weight of the fearful crimes he has caused resting heavily upon his drooping shoulders. He fears the light of day, and still more he fears the darkness.

He must see, every time he closes his eyes, the innocent victims of the Lusitania, of the Belgium horrors and of all the vile outrages which were committed by his order or in his name.

He has debased his people until he cannot expect loyalty or respect from them. He has taught his heir to have no respect for a sacred obligation, and in his age he finds that the young man is destined to be a modern Absalom and to attempt to rebel against the authority which in the eyes of a Hohenzollern is second only to that of God.

Contempt for the pledged word is bound to bring with it resentment against authority imposed. If the kaiser can break his word with his allies, why cannot his people break their oath of loyalty to the throne?

And the best thing that could happen to Germany would be the abdication of William II and the accession of the weak-minded, vicious, corrupt crown prince. The rule which might be expected of such a degenerate would the more surely result in the uprising of the people and the establishment of a government for the people, of the people and by the people.

There is yet to arise a prophet in Germany, who will curse the kaiser, as Shimei cursed David, saying: "Come out thou bloody man, thou man of Belial!" For the blood of all the kaiser's victims cries out against him, and the blood of the countless dead on the field of battle will rise up and overwhelm him.

It is the just vengeance of the Most High that the man who would have the whole world do obeisance to his name should have a rebellious son who demands the throne of his father while that father still lives.

Those who are supporting the crown prince in this unfilial attitude will also suffer when the wrath of the people, which is sometimes the wrath of God expressed in human acts, can be no longer stayed by the dread of the "divinity that doth hedge about a king," and the tyranny and the oppression which found their best exemplication in the rule of Wilhelm II are swept away, to make room for the government of the people.

London has gotten so it can talk calmly over the death of forty-six persons from a German raid. God forbid that we shall ever get so used to it that it will seem like normal! Yet that is just what has happened to London.

It seems not to be so sunny and warm in "My Old Kentucky Home" as in former years. When an ice gorge can sweep away a fleet of steamships in the Tennessee river, it is time for the people to go farther for the real "Sunny South." Come to Laredo.

And now the Bolsheviki are worried over the outlook, as the present government is unable to carry on the war, and a coalition of all the socialist factions is proposed. Why not wipe out the socialists and get a government with some sense?

It is interesting to note that, according to official figures of the army Medical Department, the rate of sufferers from venereal diseases in the army, both at home and abroad is 1.4 per 1000, in other words, 14 men out of every 10,000, which is a pretty clean record.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(Advertisement)

The Times is authorized to announce Paul W. Evans as a candidate for the office of Representative from Webb County in the Texas Legislature, to fill the vacancy in the House made by the resignation of Representative Walter Woodul. A special election to fill this vacancy has been called by the Governor to be held in Webb County on the 15th day of February, A. D. 1918.

The Times is authorized to announce E. A. Atlee as a candidate for Representative from this, the 79th Representative District, to be voted on at the special election to be held on February 15, 1918.

TIMES WANT ADS.
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Stop That



Throw Away the Wash Board—and

Let CHICO Do the Work

That is what wears out the clothes and injures the lady's health.
Why do your clothes wear out so fast?
Nine-Tenths of the Actual Wear of your clothes *Is On the Wash-Board.*

PUT YOUR THUMB ON THAT STATEMENT.

LET CHICO DO THE WORK

No More rubbing, pounding and beating.
No More wash-board worn clothes.
No More dirty clothes.
No More worry and fretting.

LET CHICO DO THE WORK

No red, chapped hands.
No wet, swollen feet.
No tired, aching back, when you

LET CHICO DO THE WORK

Benefits the hands.
Benefits the fabric.
Benefits everything it touches.

Makes clothes Clean, Sweet *and Whiter than Snow.*

Two Days Work in 2 Hours Time

Every Package *Saves* a Dollar.
Saves over half the expense.
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Saves time.

Softens the Hardest Water

Cleans, Renovates, Sterilizes.
Contains absolutely no injurious acids, lime, lye wax or alkili.
Beautifies and *Preserves* cuticle and textile, hands and clothes.

Chico also makes many house cleaning tasks easier and more pleasant, see Directions in package.

25c Package Lasts a Month

TRY IT!—Cleans everything from silks and laces to horse blankets and overalls.

CHILDREN BUYING STAMPS; ENCOURAGE THE PRACTICE

Thrift Stamps Can Be Exchanged for War Savings Stamps, Which Increase in Value Each Month.

The sale of Thrift Stamps and War Saving Stamps in Laredo is quite lively at this time at both the postoffice and the Laredo National Bank, where both kinds of stamps can be secured—the Thrift Stamps at 25 cents each and the War Savings Stamps valued at $5 each, for $4.12 this month, though the latter increase in value one cent each month. That is a War Saving Stamp redeemable on January 1, 1923, at $5, this month costs you $4.12, while next month it will advance to $4.13.

Quite a number of the children of Laredo have started little savings accounts and are filling out their cards with Thrift Stamps, and each time they have sixteen of these stamps on a card provided them, they add 12 cents to them and cash them in for a War Savings Stamp which is worth $5. Encourage the children to buy Thrift Stamps, which are called "Little Liberty Bonds," and in time they will have a nice little savings account drawing good interest, for when they cash them in for War Savings Stamps each of the latter increase in value at the rate of one cent per month.

SOLD ALL HIS LIVE STOCK AND LEASED HIS BIG RANCH

Leonard Haynes of Zapata County Makes Deal With John Jackson of San Antonio Involving Big Amount

A big cattle deal and ranch lease transaction was consummated in this city a few days ago when Leonard Haynes disposed of his large herd of cattle and leased his "Venado" ranch in Zapata county for a period of five years to John Jackson of San Antonio.

The rounding up of the cattle preparatory to delivery to Mr. Jackson is now being done. Though the amount involved in the cattle deal and ranch lease is private, the transaction involves a sum in excess of $100,000. All the cattle involved in the deal are in excellent condition, as the pasturage in the "Venado" ranch is good, not having suffered much from the drouth, but being in a strip of country that has had rains at frequent intervals. Some few horses and other live stock were also sold to Mr. Jackson.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Texas-Mexican.

Train No. 1 leaves for Corpus Christi at 1:20 p. m.
Train No. 3 leaves for Corpus Christi at 8:30 p. m.
Train No. 2 arrives from Corpus Christ at 2:10 p. m.
Train No. 4 arrives from Corpus Christi at 7:05 p. m.

International & Great Northern.

Through fast train for St. Louis leaves at 11:00 a. m. and arrives at 4:15 p. m.

Night Train.

Leaves at 9 p. m. and arrives at a. m.

Rio Grande & Eagle Pass.

Train No. 1 leaves Laredo daily except Sunday at 8 a. m. Arrives at Minera at 10:20 a. m.
Train No. 2 leaves Minera daily except Sunday at 1 p. m. Arrives at Laredo at 3:15 p. m.

NOTABLE BIRTHDAY TODAY.

JANUARY 30.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt, whose position as assistant secretary of the United States Navy is naturally a post of much importance in the present time of war, is a comparatively young man, having been born 46 years ago today. He belongs to the well-known Roosevelt family which has been prominently in New York since colonial days. Harvard University gave him his academic training, and the Columbia Law School his professional discipline. He first made more than a local reputation by his record as an independent legislator at Albany, during the three years that he was a member of the New York State senate. Since 1913 he has been in his present post, attending pretty strictly to business, but occasionally emerging to defend his chief, the Navy Department and what he has believed to be right departmental and national policies. For he does his own thinking and has a straightforward way of doing both personal and national business.

TIMES WANT ADS.
$ $ $ $ $ Money Makers $ $ $ $ $



Lobster Sardines
Pickles Sausage
Oysters Spaghetti
Swiss Cheese
Goulash Raviola
Chile-Con-Carne

These make up the usual Dutch lunch — but what will you serve to drink?

For years the host and hostess have been asking themselves that same question—especially whenever the occasion happens to be one of those cozy little after-theatre or "in-between-times" parties. Now, there is a ready answer—

Bevo
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A BEVERAGE

This distinctively new creation in soft drinks is sparkling—snappy—delicious. It is healthful with the wholesomeness of the choicest cereals — appetizing with the bouquet and agreeable bitter tang which only choice hops can impart. It is sure to "hit the spot"—sure to encounter no prejudices.

Bevo—the all-year-'round soft drink



You will find Bevo—
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Guard Against Substitutes

have the bottle opened in your presence, first seeing that the seal has not been broken, and that the crown top bears the Fox. Bevo is sold in bottles only — and is bottled exclusively by

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

JANUARY 30.

1797—John Fairfield, governor of Maine during the Aroostook disturbance, born at Saco, Maine. Died in Washington, D. C., Dec. 24, 1847.
1816—Gen. Nathaniel P. Banks, governor of Massachusetts and Speaker of the national House, born at Waltham, Mass. Died there, Sept. 1, 1894.
1835—Attempted assassination of President Jackson by Richard Lawrence.
1847—The United States flag was fired on in the harbor of Rio de Janeiro by the Brazilian insurgents.
1897—Convention respecting the Alaskan boundary signed at Washington.
1900—William Goebel was shot by an assassin at Frankfort, Ky.; legislative boards declared him elected governor.
1906—King Frederick VIII acceded to the throne of Denmark.
THE WAR:—
1915—Russians reported to be reoccupied Tabriz, Persia, after inflicting heavy losses upon the Turks.
1916—Second Zeppelin raid in two days made on Paris; no lives reported lost.
1917—Captain Hans Boehm, of German army, carrying American passports, seized by the English.

Doctor Royston's Rabbit.

Dr. Barney Royston of Evansville was out hunting near his home, relates the Indianapolis News, and shot a rabbit in the back yard at the home of one of his neighbors. Just as he started to get it, the little daughter of the neighbor ran out and picked it up.

"Wait," Doctor Royston said, "that's my rabbit. I shot it."

"I know, but you shot it in our yard," the child answered. She hesitated a moment and then said:

"Wait, I don't want you to lose anything by it."

She took the rabbit into the house and came out with something in her hand.

"This is yours," she said as she handed Doctor Royston a shell for his gun.

Stomach Troubles.

If you have trouble with your stomach you should try Chamberlain's Tablets. So many have been restored to health by the use of these tablets and their cost is so little, 25 cents, that it is worth while to give them a trial.

THE DRILLING OPERATIONS IN ZAPATA BEING WATCHED

Many Familiar With Conditions in That Section Believe Gusher Will Eventually Be Brought in.

The news from Zapata county where where drilling operations for oil have been in progress for some time past, and which announce that producing strata have been found at depths of from 184 to 900 feet, is most encouraging and geologists who are familiar with the conditions in the Zapata county field are confident that further development work will result in the finding of a heavy producing strata giving a plenteous supply of oil of good quality.

The new oil field, which is directly southeast of the Piedras Pintas oil field of Duval county, and not very far from the Rio Grande river, is in a section rich in gas production and is believed by many to be a continuation of the oil belt extending from Piedras Pintas southeastward into Mexico. At this time there are a number of wells being drilled in the Zapata field and development work will be watched with much interest, as the prediction is made that a great oil field will eventually be developed there. There is no railroad connection between Laredo and the Zapata oil field, which is about sixty miles down the Rio Grande from here, but should oil in paying quantities be found there a railroad will be constructed from this city or some point on the Texas-Mexican railroad in short order.

Notice of Dissolution.

By mutual agreement the partnership existing between F. E. Whitaker & H. L. Brennan under the style of Whitaker & Brennan has been dissolved and terminated. Any oustanding accounts against the firm should be mailed to the undersigned for adjustment.

H. L. BRENNAN.
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HERMAN G. SCHWESINGER DIED IN BERKELEY, CALIF.

Was Secretary of Emperor Maximilian and Faced Firing Squad; One of Builders Mexican Railroad.

Press dispatches of Monday contained mention of the death at his home in Berkeley, California, of Herman G. Schwesinger, who was secretary to Emperor Maximilian of Mexico and, together with many others of the Maximilian dynasty, were lined up to be shot, but Schwesinger was saved from the death volley of the firing squad by a miracle.

The item under a Berkeley, Calif., date referring to his death contains the following interesting information, and he was perhaps known to numerous old-time residents of Laredo by reason of the fact that he was one of the builders of the Mexican railroads:

"Herman G. Schwesinger, who was secretary to Emperor Maximilian when the latter ruled Mexico, died today at his home here, aged 78 years. When Maximilian and many of his followers were lined up to be shot, Schwesinger was among the men who faced the firing squad. He was saved at the last minute by the intervention of friends. At one time he was American consul in the City of Mexico and also participated in the building of the Mexican Railroad. Later he became interested in mercantile activities in this state. He is survived by his widow and two daughters."

NEW YORK LUMBER DEALERS.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 30.—With an enthusiastic expression of loyalty to the Government and a determination to aid in the prosecution of the war in every possible way, the members of the Retail Lumber Dealers' Association of the State of New York opened their annual convention here today. The convention sessions will continue several days and will be devoted chiefly to the discussion of wartime problems affecting the lumber trade.

PIMPLY? WELL, DON'T BE!

People Notice It. Drive Them Off with Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets

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Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets do that which calomel does, and just as effectively, but their action is gentle and safe instead of severe and irritating.

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From Tuesday's Daily.

LITTLE LOCALS

—The poll tax rush is on in both the offices of the city and county tax collectors, and throughout today there have been large crowds on hand at both places securing poll tax receipts. There are only two more days left in which poll tax receipts can be secured, and if you don't get them in that time you will be disfranchised for the year 1918.

—Because the cavalry went out on a practice march yesterday many people saw visions of bandit incursions and rumors flew thick and fast that the American cavalry had a battle with Mexican bandits down the river. But if the American boys saw any bandits it is news to them and the alarmist is again in the wrong pew in the distribution of his sensations.

—Baldomero Garcia, one of the telegraph company messenger boys, collided with an automobile at the corner of Lincoln street and San Agustin Avenue last night. The boy was knocked to the ground and it is said one of the auto wheels passed over his body, but he was not badly hurt.

—The vice crusade in Laredo is having its results, at least City Marshal Brennan and his force of policemen are doing their part in the work, and last night they made a number of raids and arrested several women who are supposed to have been conducting respectable lives, but were found otherwise. "The way of the transgressor is hard" in Laredo just now.

—County Judge Geo. R. Page, who returned recently from San Antonio, where he had been for three months undergoing medical treatment, and who has been unable to get about since coming home, will return to San Antonio on Friday for examination, as he is suffering some pain in his left leg and is unable to support himself standing.

OIL OPERATIONS SOUTHEAST OF LAREDO NEAR ZAPATA

STRATA OF OIL FOUND AT 164 AND BELOW 800 FEET.

The Production of Oil in Large Quantities Would Mean Unlimited Development for Laredo.

The oil fields 50 miles southeast of Laredo, Texas, on which large drilling operations are in progress, give promise of development into one of the big oil fields of the United States. Leases have been taken on approximately 300,000 acres. At least one of the large oil companies is now in the field and in all, drilling operations are being conducted by four companies on deep tests.

A good strata of high grade oil was found in one well at 164, and another strata of oil with gas was found between 800 and 900 feet. Geologists' reports on this field have been very favorable. They are expecting to strike the next strata between 1,800 and 2,300 feet.

It is believed that the well which struck a strata below 800 feet will produce between 50 and 100 barrels per day and the company is now preparing to put it on test.

Some of the wells are nearing the 1,800 feet depth and the drilling at this point is eagerly watched. A great deal of leasing has been done and the development work already started will call for an expenditure of a quarter of a million dollars.

The field in which these operations are being conducted is located twenty miles south of the big gas field from which Laredo receives its supply.

Thus far little has been said with reference to these oil operations, but the drilling operations have been in progress for a considerable time, the wells being sunk a little deeper every day. A number of Laredo people are interested in the Zapata country tract, but after the drilling was well under way, outside capital became interested and leased large holdings. If oil in large quantities is developed in this tract it will mean almost unlimited development for Laredo.

SLACKERS ARE BOUND OVER AND UNABLE FURNISH BOND

Israel Ostrowsky and Morris Post, of New York, Who Were Skipping to Mexico, Are in Jail.

Two of the slackers apprehended near Laredo the past few days while trying to skip to Mexico to evade military service under the selective draft law, were this morning arraigned before United States Commissioner Foster who, after hearing the evidence, bound them over to the federal grand jury in the sum of $200 each, which they were unable to furnish and were remanded to jail.

The young men referred to are Israel James Ostrowsky and Morris Post, of Russian and Austrian descent. They came from New York City and at the time of their apprehension were "beating it" in an automoobile toward a point on the Rio Grande, where they expected to ford the river and cross to the Mexican side and thereby evade military service under the selective draft law.

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BOOTLEGGING MUST CEASE SALOON MEN TAKE ACTION

OFFICERS AND MEN IN UNIFORM CAN GET NO MORE BOOZE HERE

Resolutions Adopted by Saloonmen Will be Incorporated Into Ordinance and Law Strictly Enforced.

At a meeting of all the liquor dealers of Laredo, with one exception, a resolution was passed submitting to the city council for adoption and establishing regulations for the liquor dealers of this city that was concurred in and approved by all represented. The resolutions seeks to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors to irresponsible persons, also officers and men of the United States army, and will put a stop to a practice whereby officers and men alike have heretofore been able to secure intoxicating liquors through other channels. The resolutions adopted and signed by thirty-eight saloon-keepers and liquor dealers of Laredo, are as follows:

Be It Enacted Now That: It shall be unlawful for any Wholesale dealer in Malt and Spirituous Liquors and Wines, within the corporate limits of the City of Laredo, Webb County, State of Texas, to sell, give or supply or barter, Beer, Whiskey, Wines or any other intoxicating liquors to any one except a duly authorized and licensed retail dealer, except as hereinafter provided, to-wit:

A licensed Wholesale Malt and Liquor dealer may secure from the Hon. Mayor of the City of Laredo, Texas, a special permit to sell to the head of a responsible family or other reliable person, an amount of beer, liquor or wine, to be used for family or table purposes, the said permit to be issued by the Hon. Mayor of the City of Laredo, Texas, when assurances are given, that the said beer, liquor or wine are not to be sold, supplied or bartered to any officer or soldier of the United States Army or to any other person to whom the Federal Statutes prohibit the use of liquor.

Be It Further Enacted That: It shall be unlawful for any licensed Retail Dealer in Malt and Spirituous Liquors, within the corporate limits of the City of Laredo, Webb County, State of Texas, to sell, give, supply or barter, beer, whiskey or wines or any other intoxicating liquors to any person to be taken off of the premises of said licensed Malt and Spirituous Liquor dealer, except as hereinafter provided, to-wit:

A licensed Retail Malt and Spirituous Liquor dealer may obtain a permit from the Hon. Mayor of the City of Laredo, Webb County, State of Texas, to sell a quantity of beer, liquor or wine, to the head of a responsible family or other reliable person, when assured that the said beer, liquor or wine will not be sold, given, supplied or bartered, to any Officer or Soldier of the United States Army or any other person to whom liquor is prohibited by the Federal Statutes.

All Malt and Spirituous Liquor dealers within the corporate limits of the City of Laredo, Webb County, State of Texas, who fail to comply with the above Ordinance, will be found guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not less than $5.00 nor more than $100.00 or by imprisonment as prescribed in the Penal Code or both.

At a meeting held in the City of Laredo, Webb County, State of Texas, on the 25th day of January, 1918, we the undersigned Wholesale and Retail Lisenced Malt and Spirituous Liquor open meeting, did approve, accept and pledge our sincere support to the above Ordinance in its entirety.

Mayor McComb, in a statement made to The Times today, asserted that at the meeting of the city council on next Tuesday night the resolutions passed by the liquor dealers of Laredo would be incorporated into an ordinance, submitted to the council and passed, taking effect immediately thereafter. He further stated that all parties in Laredo who then failed to comply with these regulations and assist the saloon-keepers in preventing a violation of the law of selling intozicating liquors to officers and men of the United States army, or their agents or representatives, will be taken into custody and dealt with severely and their places of business closed permanently.

"The United States government has decreed that men in uniform shall not be sold or given intoxicating liquors," said the mayor, "and here in Laredo the practice must cease and the ones who attempt to do bootlegging in this city or sell liquor secretly to officers and men of the United States army or their agents are going to find themselves in a bad predicament."

All officers of the city, county and federal government here will assist Mayor McComb in enforcing the law on this subject and it is their hope to eliminate vice and bootlegging from Laredo.

PERSONALS

A. L. Gray, the hardware man is a guest at the Bender.

A. E. Gates is in the city from his ranch on business.

BENDER:—R. E. Feike, San Antonio; H. E. Fretwell, Dallas; R. T. McEachern, San Antonio; A. W. Lewis, Mexico City; W. C. Wilcox, H. S. Mulliken, San Antonio; N. C. Butler, New York; M. G. Crawford, Dallas; Geo. I. McCoy, Topeka, Kan.; G. H. Augulo, San Antonio; R. K. Freeman, New York; M. F. Head, San Antonio; W. T. Murewuther and wife, A. D. Putman, Tampico; Mrs. E. L. Sharp, C. M. Brosseau, Abe Finkilstein, San Antonio; A. L. Grey, St. Louis, Mo.

HAMILTON—P. A. Cox, Miss Jackson, Miss Mercedes Sanchez, F. Mize, W. Thompson, John Jackson, San Antonio; Jose Castine, José M. Monedo. Mrs. Effie J. Olbert, Mexico City; Ed. L. Watkins, Tampico; O. C. Meyer and wife, Eagle Pass; J. H. Kernan, Santa Rosa Farm; Joe Hernandez, New Laredo, Mex.; S. E. Hines, Torrecillas; A. Grombosh, New Orleans; P. V. Milmo, Monterey; R. K. Freeman, New York, Sam J. Jordan, J. R. Way, Encinal; A. Leal, Rio Grande City; Everett Love, Antonio Rivas, San Antonio; J. Petrolia, M. M. Uribe, Rio Grande City.

ANENT NITRATE OF SODA.

To the Laredo Times.

In order that all parties interested may be fully advised as to the purchase of nitrate of soda from the government, beg to submit the following telegrams in explanation of the exact status of the situation at this time. When I was notified that the county agents were to act in the capacity of local representatives of the purchase and distribution or allottment of nitrate of soda, I wired the Bureau of Markets at Washington, which has charge of the proposition for the government, asking for information as indicated.

Laredo, Tex., Jan. 23d, 1918.
"Bureau of Markets,
Washington, D. C.

Referring to circulars about nitrate of soda. Important our growers know definitely how soon delivery at Laredo may be made. If not promptly, may be too late for our onion growers. How long to get cars through from ports of entry to Laredo. Need plenty of application blanks."

Signed, F. W. Mally.

Reply was received on Jan. 24th as follows:

F. W. Mally, County Agent:

Unable to advise definitely relative nitrate delivery. Unlikely any can be shipped from port for Texas earlier than late February. Application blanks mailed.

Signed, Brand.

That submits the exact situation and each grower will know just as much about making a decision as I do. The blank applications were mailed to all who might possibly use some nitrate of soda, and it needs to be stated in this connection that these blanks should be filled in and signed and turned in to me promptly, so that I may inspect them and approve them and forward to the Bureau of Markets office by not later than Feb. 4th.

There is a possibility that this effort to get nitrate of soda to the farmers in February will operate as a force to encourage conservatism on the part of the nitrate operators not to get in much of a supply of this fertilizer ahead of actual orders. If that should be the case, then there is likely to be a shortage of nitrate for distribution in March through the usual nitrate agencies. This should be considered by the growers, and if they have not secured enough of a supply to meet their wants during March, as well as what they expect to use during February, then it may be well to hedge on a supply through this source, even though it is later than appears will be of use to the growers from the present indications.

Enough growers should get together to make sure of a maximum car lot shipment, even if it is to come for use in March. Whatever action is taken, must be decided upon at once, so that the proper application, signed and checked in due course, may be of record and be in regular order for attention. I shall be glad to assist and serve in any way possible to provide for the best interests of the growers.

FRED. W. MALLY,
County Agent.

AWFUL APPETITE.

A man was telling about an exciting experience in Russia. His sleigh was pursued over the frozen wastes by a pack of at least a dozen famished wolves.

He arose and shot the foremost one, and the others stopped to devour it. But they soon caught up with him, and he shot another which was in turn devoured. This was repeated until the last famished wolf was almost upon him with gleaming jaws, when——

"Say, partner," broke in one of the listeners, "according to your reckoning that last famished wolf must have had the other eleven inside of him."

"Well, come to think it over," said the story teller, "maybe he wasn't so famished after all."

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SOCIETY

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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Tuesday.

Red Cross Surgical Room in charge of Mrs. H. M. Austin at 2:30 in the afternoon.

Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church will meet at the Rectory with Mrs. C. W. Cook at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Ladies Aid of the Christian church will meet with Mrs. R. A. Millar at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Wednesday.

Red Cross Surgical Room will be in charge of Mrs. H. G. Earnest at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Paris Guild of Christ Church will meet at Red Cross Surgical Room in the afternoon to assist in the work.

The Auction Bridge Club will be entertained by Mrs. Robt. L. Muller at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Nopales Camp Fire Girls will meet with Mrs. J. A. Burnett in the afternoon.

The Christian Endeavor Training for Service Class will meet at the Christian church in the evening.

Dinner Dance at the Hotel Hamilton in the evening.

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You Went Away.

You said adieu
And I to you
God-speed bade with a smile.
Then careless spake
To hide the ache
That clutched my heart the while.

You went, nor knew
How went with you,
The light from out my day.
You smiled and chaffed;
I lightly laughed
And then—you went away.

And since you've gone
Sunset nor dawn.
Nor skies of azure hue
Have meant the same—
They're but the frame.
The picture, dear, was you.

Where falls the dew
On fields, far, new,
May changes keep you gay.
But every scene
'Round here will mean
That you, that you're away.

—Gracia Cornett.

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General Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Ilfeld last night accompanied their son to San Antonio, where he will enter the officers' training camp.

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Dr. T. J. Turpin will return from Corpus Christi today. Dr. and Mrs. Turpin will return to Santo Tomas on Wednesday.

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Mrs. Hal W. Greer and little grandsons will leave on Friday for Beaumont.

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Announcement.

The Thrift Stamp card party which is being arranged by the Woman's Club will be given next Friday afternoon at the former club house of the Latin-American Club, corner Iturbide street and San Agustin avenue. Further announcement will be made in these columns.

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Red Cross Notes.

The Red Cross Surgical Room was in charge of Mrs. W. D. Butler yesterday afternoon. The ladies made 75 wipes and 51 five-yard bandage rolls. Those present were: Mesdames Butler, Weber, Garlick, Withoff, Ilfeld, Gill, Westbrook, Tucker and Austin.

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Entertainment.

The Nullos Club met with Mrs. W. N. Young yehterday afternoon and a series of pleasant games of bridge were enjoyed. This meeting finishes the round; the members have been keeping a tournament score. Mrs. Young held high score. The club voted not to award prizes this season, and there will be no more meetings until after Easter. The club members present were: Mesdames Penn, Christen, Woodman, Greer, Young and Miss Penn. The guests of the afternoon were Mesdames Dodd and McComb.

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RUSSIANS SPLIT ON QUESTION OF PEACE AND COALITION OF SOCIALISTS SUGGESTED

Majority of Bolsheviki Oppose Conclusion of Peace on German Terms and in Favor of "Holy War"—Bolsheviki Representative on Way to Carry News to Allies Concerning the Negotiations.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 29.—The Bolsheviki have split on the question of peace, the majority being against the conclusion of peace on the German terms and in favor of a "holy war," an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Petrograd says: "As the present government is unable to carry on the war, the formation of a coalition of all socialist factions was proposed."

To Resume Negotiations.

Petrograd, Jan. 28.—Bolsheviki Foreign Minister Trotzky and M. Kameneff left Petrograd today for Brest-Litovsk to resume peace negotiations. The Bolsheviki have been charged to continue negotiations by the congress of councils of workmen's and soldiers' delegates.

Denies the Report.

London, Jan. 29.—The official Russian news agency denies that Trotzky and M. Kameneff are on their way to Brest-Litovsk. It says that Kameneff is going to Stockholm, London and Paris to inform the allies concerning the progress of negotiations.

Germany Violating Truce.

Washington, Jan. 29.—Charges that Germany is violating the Russian truce by transferring troops from the eastern to the western fronts were made today by the war department.

Four Allies Represented.

Versailles, France, Jan. 29.—Great Britain, France, Italy and the United States were represented when the supreme war council convened today. The meeting is regarded as extraordinarily important, because the plan of operations during the coming campaign is expected to come up.

German Air Raids.

London, Jan. 29.—Abut fifteen German airplanes, of which four or five reached London, took part in the first of the two air raids last night, it is officially announced. Only one raider of the second attack penetrated the city. One raider was brought down, falling in flames 10,000 feet. All three of the crew burned to death. All British pilots returned safely.

Forty-seven Killed.

London, Jan. 29.—Forty-seven persons were killed and 169 injured in last night's air raid, it is officially announced.

In Possession of Helsinfors.

Copenhagen, Jan. 29.—The Red Guard is in complete possession of Helsinfors, the capital of Finland, says a Stockholm despatch. It is not kniwn whether the Finnish government officials escaped.

Violent Italian Attack.

Berlin, Jan. 28.—The Italians launched a violent attack yesterday on the northern mountain front between Asiago and Brenta, says the official statement today.

The Italians who attacked Teuton positions in the Col Rosso region and between Frenla ravine and Brenta were thrown back by the Austrians, the war office later announced.

The Italians gained a foothold on Monte di Val Bella, but the ground later was wrested from them in a counter attack, says the statement.

Italians Attacked Heavily.

Rome, Jan. 29.—Italian troops made a heavy attack yesterday on the northern front, breaking into the enemy lines, the war office reports. Italian and allied artillery disposed of enemy reinforcements. The Italians took more than 1,500 prisoners and twelve enemy airplanes were brought down.

Drove Off Raiding Party.

London, Jan. 29.—Notable German artillery activity was reported on the Arras front. The British last night drove off a raiding party. The British patrol sent out northeast of Ypres disappeared.

Four Americans Died.

Washington, Jan. 29.—The death of four more of the expeditionary troops from pneumonia is announced.

HEAVY ICE GORGES BREAK.

By Associated Press.

Paducah, Ky., Jan. 29.—Descending ice gorges in the Tennessee and Ohio rivers converging here today swept the winter fleet of packets and other craft from their moorings at up river points and Paducah and carried it down the Ohio. Appeals from persons marooned on the ice bound craft were heard as they passed here.

TWENTY WERE SHOT DOWN.

Special to The Times.

London, Jan. 29.—Another great burst of aerial activity has developed over the western and Italian fronts and nearly twenty German machines have been shot down in the past 48 hours, according to information received here today. One British airplane is missing. On the Italian front the Teutons are concentrating their attentions against Red Cross hospitals. Three hospitals in Mestre, behind the Italian front lines were attacked and damaged.

CATHOLICS IN THE ARMY.

Special to The Times.

New York, Jan. 29.—St. Patrick's cathedral flag with 502 stars for parish members who are serving in the United States military forces was unfurled alongside the edifice after being blessed by Cardinal Farley. The Cathedral Club of 100 members in khaki uniforms paraded, carrying the flag, from the parochial residence led by the cathedral band and accompanied by the Boys' Division in white. "You've done splendidly," said Commander John Grady of the United States navy. The cathedral rector said in his sermon: "The United States Catholics have never failed. Their sense of duty for service is a source of pride to us. Published figures seemingly show that 35 per cent of the present forces of the country are Catholics. The Catholic population of the country is 17 per cent of the total population. We thank God our people are again ready and believe that the future will equal the past, of which we are pardonably proud."

EL PASO TO VOTE ON "DRY" QUESTION.

El Paso, Texas, Jan., 29.—For the first time in the history of the community the citizens of the city and county of El Paso are to be given an opportunity tomorrow to vote on the saloon question. The special election comes as a result of a long agitation on the part of the prohibition advocates. As El Paso is the largest city in this section of Texas, and has long had the reputation of being an exceedingly "wet" spot, the result of the election is awaited with keen interest, because of the influence it may have elsewhere in the State.

TAG YOUR COAL SHOVEL.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 29.—Every household in the land, from the most costly mansion to the most humble cottage, is to have its coal shovel tagged with wartime economy hints tomorrow. The day has been designated for a nation-wide observance of "Tag Your Shovel Day."

The Federal Fuel Administration is the father of the idea, and to carry it out it is enlisting the services of millions of school children. State and municipal school authorities, as well as the superintendents and teachers, have been asked to join in making the day a national school holiday. On each coal shovel is to be affixed a tag urging the saving of fuel and also carrying advice about heating and care of the furnace.

One of the interesting features of the day will be the tagging of the coal shovels used at the national capitol, the White House, State capitols, city halls, and in the homes of governors and mayors.

MONTANA LUMBERMEN MEET.

Kalispell, Mont., Jan. 29.—Lumber manufacturers of Montana gathered here in large number today to attend the annual meeting o ftheir State association. The sessions, which will continue several days, will be devoted to the discussion of numerous important problems now confronting the lumber industry, and particularly those arising from war conditions.

WOULD RELINQUISH CONTROL OF ROADS

MINORITY MEMBERS TO SUBMIT REPORT IF COMMITTEE DOES NOT RESCIND ITS ACTION.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 29.—The senate commerce commission by a vote of 7 to 6 today decided to amend the administration railway bill to provide that the government relinquish control of the railroads within one year after the end of the war. Some of the committeemen who opposed the change announced later that they would endeavor to have the committee rescind its action and if they failed they would submit minority reports.

Wrecked Chemical Plant.

Marqpette, Mich., Jan. 29.—An explosion, apparently accidental, followed by a fire wrecked the chemical department of the Pioneer Iron Company's plant here today. The loss is estimated at "over $100,000."

PANIC IN GERMANY.

Special to The Times.

London, Jan. 29.—The raid over the German industrial city of Mannheim by British airmen led to a panic among the population, said a Geneva despatch to the Daily Express today. Terror reigned supreme in Mannheim throughout Thursday night and on Friday was followed by a demonstration.

NORTH DAKOTA DAIRYMEN.

Fargo N .D., Jan. 29.—Fargo is entertaining for two days the annual convention of the North Dakota State Dairymen's association. The large attendance and the importance of the subject slated for disucssion, including various wartimem problems, combine to ggive promise of the most notable convention ever held by the association.

TWO MINERS KILLED.

By Associated Press.

McAlester, Okla., Jan. 29.—Two unidentified shot firers were killed by an explosion in the old Haily coal mine at Lute. The mine was badly wrecked.

KILLED BY ALCOHOL.

By Associated Press.

McAlester, Okla., Jan. 29.—Seven persons are dead at Francis as a result of an eggnog party Sunday which used denatured alcohol by mistake.

INCREASE OF UNREST.

Special to The Times.

Copenhagen, Jan. 29.—There was an increase in the manifestations of unrest throughout Germany over the week-end, according to information received here today. This was brought about by the halt in the Russo-German peace negotiations, the militaristic war aims of Chancellor von Hertling and the general spread of hardships, chiefly in the industrial centers.

SAILORS SHOVELED SNOW.

Special to The Times.

New York, Jan. 29.—Seventy sailors of Dutch vessels who have been in port here for some months awaiting export licenses responded to a call for 14,000 men to shovel snow from the streets of this city. They were paid 35 cents an hour and they received the work with joy as a change from their idleness aboard ship.

Notice of Dissolution.

By mutual agreement the partnership existing between F. E. Whitaker & H. L. Brennan under the style of Whitaker & Brennan has been dissolved and terminated. Any oustanding accounts against the firm should be mailed to the undersigned for adjustment.

H. L. BRENNAN.
1-29-7t.

Prefers Chamberlain's.

"In the course of a conversation with Chamberlain Medicine Co.'s representative today, we had occasion to discuss in a general way the merits of their different preparations. At his suggestion I take pleasure in expressing my estimation of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I have a family of six children and have used this remedy in my home for years. I consider it the only cough remedy on the market, as I have tried nearly all kinds."—Earl C. Ross, Publisher Hamilton County Republican-News, Syracuse, Kan.

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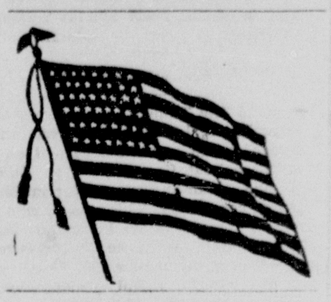
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From Monday's Daily.



PSEUDO CITIZENS.

Two things will operate during the coming years to cut down the franchise to real American citizens in Texas. One is the recent decision of the supreme court that no one is entitled to vote in Texas who is not a citizen. True, the decision referred mainly to enemy aliens, but if an enemy alien cannot take out his "second papers," and thus fulfill the "other requirements of a vote," how can a neutral or a friendly alien hope to have that privilege?

The other bar to promiscuous voting—and in effect a benefit to the real Texas citizens—is the watch that is being kept on the actions of those who attempted—many of them successfully—to evade conscription under the selective service law by claiming the status of aliens.

Hereafter any Mexican who has claimed exemption on the ground of being an alien will be guilty of fraud if he attempts to vote in any Texas election. If he has secured his franchise by declaring his intention to become a citizen of the United States, he is to all intents and purposes an American citizen so far as liability to military service is concerned. If he renounces that right by claiming exemption, he is no longer entitled to vote under the Texas constitution.

It will be remembered that a few years ago the supreme court of the United States decided that no one who had taken out first papers and failed within five years to become a citizen was entitled to the privilege of citizenship thereafter; in other words, all such persons were barred from applying for final citizenship papers.

There are men in Laredo, as well as elsewhere in the state, who took out their first papers twenty years or more ago, and who have no intention of completing the transaction into which they entered on false pretenses with the United States government. Yet previously these men have been declared legal voters in Texas under our constitution.

There is no attempt by American citizens, whether by birth or naturalization, to limit or deny the rights of Texas voters who have complied with the laws. But it certainly should not be permitted for an alien, one whose entire sympathy is with a foreign country, to vote in elections in Texas, whether that election be for the president of the United States, or merely for a school director in Laredo.

There is no hardship inflicted upon anyone in denying him a right which he denies himself. There is a legal and proper way for anyone to become a citizen of the United States, with all rights under the constitution and laws of our country.

There are many voters of the ignorant class in Laredo today who have not the slighest conception of what they swore when they took out their first papers. This is demonstrated every day, when Mexicans who have taken out their first papers insist that they are Mexican citizens and entitled to all the rights and privileges of such citizens. Many of them have applied to the Mexican consulate in this city for Mexican passports since the regulations requiring a passport for those who desired to go to and from Mexico went into effect.

If the recent campaign of investigation on the border has not resulted in anything else it has served to demonstrate who should be entitled to vote in this state. Those who voluntarily claim Mexican citizenship should not be permitted to vote at our elections. And those who claim the right to vote are certainly subject to the same duties as our citizens, whether by birth or naturalization.

It is safe to say that in the future, for at least as long as the war shall last, there will be a careful scrutiny of all presenting themselves with poll tax receipts at the polling places of Texas, claiming the right to register their choice for officials, as well as their opinion as to the laws that should govern us. And it would be well for any who are in doubt as to their status to inform themselves before they render themselves liable for an attempt at fraudulent voting.

WOMAN'S INCONSISTENCY.

Some time ago a letter was published in Victor Berger's Socialist newspaper, declaring that "an emisary of President Wilson" had visited Miss Alice Paul while she was in prison for picketing the White House and had assured her in secret that the president would secretly assist the passage of the federal amendment for woman suffrage.

The story was diebelieved by all, and by none more than by the Anti-Suffrage Association, members of which took occasion to sneer at the probability of the president supporting woman suffrage when he had previously gone on record as opposed to national suffrage.

Nothing was said by the anti-suffragists concerning the impossibility of our president conducting his negotiations in such a secret and underhanded manner, but the only stress was laid upon the improbability of his changing his mind with regard to national suffrage.

Now that the president has given his endorsement to the national suffrage amendment, the anti-suffragists are so enraged that they are willing to attribute to him any sort of motive, not to say any sort of method, and their association, of which Mrs. Robert Lansing, wife of the secretary of state, is secretary, has written a letter of apology to the "shrieking sisterhood," apologizing for having doubted their word.

It is incredible that Mr. Wilson should have carried on any secret negotiations, either through "an emissary," or in person, with the suffragists who were arrested and imprisoned for having picketing the White House. He has always done his work in the open, and if he has had cause to change his convictions with regard to the advisability of national, instead of state, suffrage, he is not the sort to send a mysterious messenger to a cell to treat with a woman, especially one whose influence in the country is doubtful.

The inconsistency of some women is shown in the attitude of the very women who are attacking suffrage. They claim a right to meddle in politics, through the detestable methods of the lobby and the private influence which have for centuries disgraced politics in all countries; they disclaim any right to vote, not only for themselves, but for the women who really want to vote; they abuse those of their sex who want to take their proper place in politics—in conventions and at the polls—and they demand the right to abuse the president of the United States because he exercises his proper privilege and changes his mind with regard to a question of public policy.

It is not the suffragist who unsexes herself by voting; it is the anti-suffragist who continues to toady to the male half of the universe and who declares that "woman loses her charm and her purity by meddling in politics," while all the time those most active in opposition to the franchise for the women of America are meddling in politics after the manner of Lucrezia Borgia and several others of the lobbyist variety.

It is not all credible to Mrs. Robert Lansing that she should impute ulterior motives to President Wilson because he is in favor of enfranchising the American women. It is not at all creditable to her and her associates that they prefer the devious methods of "secret influence"—which, after all, is no less discreditable than the work of the paid woman lobbyists—to the open and honorable vote at the polls.

The time is coming when the American woman will exercise the same free and untrammeled right to the ballot as the American man. And so far as we have seen, those who already exercise that right have cast no discredit upon the voters who granted them the privilege.

The time is passing in America, at least—when the secret cabal, the "influence" of the woman lobbyist and the purchased vote will dominate our politics. Is it any more disgraceful for a woman to vote than it is for her to use her charms to wheedle a congressman or senator into voting in favor of something she desires?

Is the right of the franchise any more disgraceful to the fair sex than the right to attain by coaxing what they cannot secure by equal privilege?

After all, it was not "bandits," in the stricter sense of the world, who attacked the American troops at El Paso. This will be a great sorrow to the "defenders of the faith" in Laredo, especially as two Mexican soldiers were killed.

Socialist Scheidemann is outspoken in denouncing militarism and says even if England and France are captured, America would still have to be conquered. And he might have added that it is beyond any power on earth to conquer us.

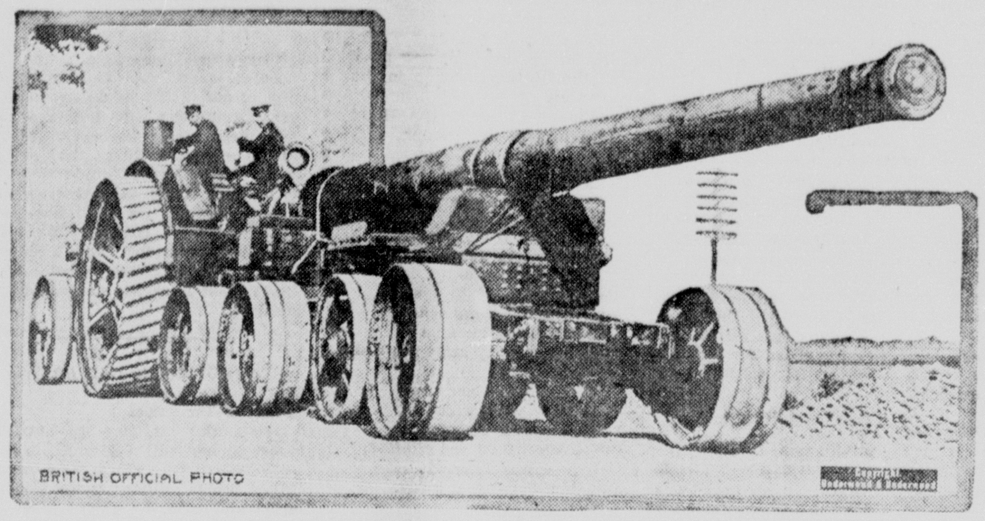
The officials of the Hamburg-American line will have to console themselves by thinking of what might have been while they are serving their prison sentences for conspiracy against Uncle Sam. It is to be hoped that they will be given enough work to do to keep them from brooding.

GETTING THE HEAVY GUNS INTO ACTION



Official photograph from the British western front showing the men moving one of the heavy guns into position o hammer the Huns.

ONE OF THE BIGGEST BRITISH GUNS IN FLANDERS



One of the greatest guns in use by the British forces being hauled along a road in Flanders, on the advance to the attack, by a tractor with tremendous power. No gun of more power has been used by any belligerent in this war.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Webb County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Webb, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

Notice of Application For Sale of Real Estate.

The State of Texas,

To all Persons interested in the Estate of Joseph McKendrick deceased. William McKendrick administrator, has filed in the County Court of Webb County, an application to sell at public or private sale the following blocks of land situated in the Western Division of the City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas, to-wit:

Blocks numbered 781, 782, 758, 760 and 581 to the highest bidder for cash which will be heard at the next term of said court, commencing the Third Monday in February, A. D. 1918, at the Court House thereof, in the City of Laredo, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court this writ, with your return thereon endorsed, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at Laredo, Texas, January 19th, A. D. 1918.

J. A. RODRIGUEZ.
Clerk Co. Court, Webb Co., Texas

NO SUCH THING.

"I heard my boy William say the other day that your son was his alter ego."

"What a liar! My son was never anything but a good friend to him."—Baltimore American.

Stomach Troubles.

If you have trouble with your stomach you should try Chamberlain's Tablets. So many have been restored to health by the use of these tablets and their cost is so little, 25 cents, that it is worth while to give them a trial.

SALE OF VALUABLE WARE-HOUSES.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution of the President and Trustees, the same being the former directors, of the Laredo Truck Growers' Co-operative Association, dissolved, adopted January 3, 1918, at a meeting of said Trustees held in Laredo, Webb County, Texas, there will be offered at public sale at the Court House loor, Laredo, Webb County, Texas, on February 5, 1918, at 10 o'clock A. M., the following described warehouses located in Webb County, exas, to-wit:

The one story, frame, composition roof building, occupied as Onion Warehouse, known as Warehouse No. 1, and situated at Johnson & Haynes Switch, on I. & G. N. Ry. Company's Right of Way in Webb County, Texas.

The one story, frame, composition roof building, occupied as Onion Warehouse, known as Warehouse No. 2, and situated on Right of Way of I. & G. N. Ry. Co., about one mile North of the above described warehouse.

The one story, frame, composition roof building, occupied as Onion Warehouse No. 3, and situated on Right of Way of I. & G. N. Co., about one-half mile North of Warehouse No. 2, the next above mentioned, in Webb County, Texas.

The one story, frame composition roof building, occupied as Onion Warehouse, known as Warehouse No. 4, and situated on Right of Way of R. G. & E. P. Ry. Co., in Webb County, Texas.

The one story, frame composition roof building, occupied as Onion Warehouse, known as Warehouse No. 5, being North of Warehouse No. 4, next above described in Webb County; said warehouse being situated on the Right of Way of R. G. & E. P. Ry. Co.

The one story, frame composition roof building, occupied as Onion Warehouse, known as Warehouse No. 6, and situated on Right of Way of Texas-Mexican Railway Co., in Laredo, Texas.

The said warehouses are situated on ground leased from the respective railway companies above mentioned.

The said warehouses shall be offered for sale separately, and the terms of sale shall be cash, to the highest bidder.

Witness our hands this 14th day of January, A. D. 1918.

Dated January 14, 1918.

ROBT. McCOMB,
Vice-President.
J. H. DAVIS,
M. M. LEYENDECKER,
L. J. CHRISTEN,
Being a Majority of the Board of Trustees.

DANGERS OF A COLD

Laredo People Will Do Well to Heed Them.

Many bad cases of kidney trouble result from a cold or chill. Congested kidneys fall behind in filtering the poison-laden blood and backache, headache, dizziness and disordered kidney action follow. Don't neglect a cold. Use Doan's Kidney Pills at the first sign of kidney trouble. Follow this Laredo resident's example:

Carmen Zamora, 1408 Iturbide St., says: "Whenver I caught cold or did a little extra work the pain in my back got so bad I couldn't stoop over to save my life. The kidney secretions were scanty and painful in passage, too. One box of Doan's Kidney Pills, which I got from the City Drug Co., cured me and it has been some time since my back has given me any annoyance."

OVER NINE YEARS LATER Mr. Zamora said: "I have had no kidney trouble in some time and I feel confident Doan's Kidney Pills have permanently cured me."

60c, at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgrs., Buffalo N. Y.

HARD LUCK.

The French seeress who predicted the flood also predicted that the kaiser would die in England in 1930 an exile from his own land. This would give him a dozen years for repentance, but it would be tough on the British.—Bostin Transcrip.

Joints that ache, muscles that are drawn or contracted should be treated with BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It penetrates to the spot where it is needed and relieves suffering. Price 25c, 50c and $1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists. x

How About Leaving Your Old Safety Blades

AT

THE ROYAL CIGAR STAND

Hidalgo Street

And have us put them in first-class condition for you
We will sharpen, sterlize and hair test
1 doz. single edge blades for 25c. 1 doz. double edge blades for 35c
GIVE US A TRIAL WE GUARANTEE SATISFACTION

NOTZON BROS.

LITTLE LOCALS

—The following importations from Mexico passed through this port this morning: Two carloads of mules, sixteen carloads of ixtle, eight carloads of hegequen, one carload of jarcia, one carload of bone, one carload of skins, one carload of coffee, and nine carloads of calamine.

—Home made tamales on sale Thursday, January 31, at Mrs. Puster's. Phone orders for supper to No. 537. 1-28-3t.

—Cards and favors done in water color and ink. 1717 Farragut St. 1-24-6t.

—Corporal F. D. Molina, who has been at the base hospital at Fort McIntosh the past month undergoing medical treatment, was discharged on Saturday and left on his return to Camp Bowie feeling in excellent health and ready to leave for France with the Texas troops when called.

—When wanting milk phone 356. 1-22-tf.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-tf.

—The following marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since last report: Juan Martinez and Miss Sofia Morales.

—Home made tamales on sale Thursday, January 31, at Mrs. Puster's. Phone orders for supper to No. 537. 1-28-3t.

—City Garage, tel. 515. Jitney cars. Vulcanizing. Work guaranteed. 8-11-tf.

—District court is in vacation this week in this district, the Webb county term adjourning on Saturday. Next Monday a four weeks' term of district court will convene in Dimmitt county at Carrizo Springs and following that there will be one week of court at Zapata county. On Monday, March 11, court begins here again to continue sixteen weeks.

—Texas Real Estate & Abstract Co. 1012 Farragut street. Phone 1061. Abstracts of property in Laredo and lands of Webb county. 7-19-tf.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-tf.

—Semi-annual examinations in the public schools of Laredo began this morning and will continue throughout the week. This is generally the time when the pupils have their hands full and seek to secure the best possible reports on their various studies.

—The Bellmont. Rooms and apartments. 602 Main Ave. Phone 576 or 1017. 6-20-tf.

—Only three more days remain in which to secure those poll taxes which will enable you to vote at any elections to be held in Laredo during the year 1918. From present indications there are going to be lively contests on this year for the various public offices, and of course you will want to vote for your favorites.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-t.

WHY LIBRARIANS GO CRAZY.

Scene, a public library. Enter Mrs. Brown, a pedigree hunter. "Can you tell me when William I was in America?"

Librarian—Why-e-e, that was William the Conqueror, and he never was here.

Mrs. B.—Yes, it said William I and Mary, his wife.

Librarian—There was a William and Mary College, but the Conqueror never saw it.

Mrs. B.—Well, the "History of Milltown" says William I landed in Portsmouth, N. H.

Librarian (stunned)—He lived in 1066, and America was discovered in 1492. Let me see the book.

Mrs. B. points triumphantly to a paragraph 4 in a chapter on Brown genealogy: "The Browns of Milltown are descendants of William I, who came from England to Portsmounth with his wife, Mary, and five children on the frigate Soho."—Christian Register.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Texas-Mexican.

Train No. 1 leaves for Corpus Christi at 1:20 p. m.

Train No. 3 leaves for Corpus Christi at 8:30 p. m.

Train No. 2 arrives from Corpus Christ at 2:10 p. m.

Train No. 4 arrives from Corpus Christi at 7:05 p. m.

International & Great Northern.

Through fast train for St. Louis leaves at 11:00 a. m. and arrives at 4:15 p. m.

Night Train.

Leaves at 9 p. m. and arrives at a. m.

Rio Grande & Eagle Pass.

Train No. 1 leaves Laredo daily except Sunday at 8 a. m. Arrives at Minera at 10:20 a. m.

Train No. 2 leaves Miners daily except Sunday at 1 p. m. Arrives at Laredo at 3:15 p. m.

FOR SALE
Block 1084, Eastern District
Laredo. E. DENIKE.

LAW IS APPLIED IN LAREDO AND TWO CLUBS AFFECTED

Recent Ruling of the Supreme Court Regarding Club Buffets is Now Being Enforced in This City.

In a recent decision handed down by the state supreme court in a case against the Aetna Club, a social organization of El Paso, a ruling was made that social clubs which maintained buffets in their club quarters came under the same classification as a saloon and that they must have a license taken out by some individual, paying the same fee as saloons, and observe the 9:30 and Sunday closing laws the same as saloons.

This decision has caused some interest throughout the state, as it practically applies to many of the numerous country clubs, fraternal order clubs and social organizations maintaining clubs with buffets. If the law is invoked, and it appears that it will be, every such organization in the state will suffer, especially as pertains to the "nine-thirty" closing law and the Sunday law. Very few clubs are visited by their members during the day and the members generally gather at night, beginning at about 8 or 9 o'clock and enjoy a few pleasant hours together, but with the closing of the buffets at 9:30 they will practically be much affected by the new law.

In accordance with the decision handed down by the state supreme court on the subject, District Attorney Valls on Saturday afternoon notified the Latin-American Club and the Moose Club of this city that the two organizations must comply with the state law, and accordingly the buffets in both clubs were closed down on Saturday evening and will remain closed indefinitely.

A good remedy for a bad cough is BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP. It heals the lungs and quiets irritation. Price 25c, 50c and $1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists. x

FUNERAL HELD IN THIS CITY AND IS LARGELY ATTENDED

Asherton Business Man Who Died Saturday Laid to Rest in Catholic Cemetery Sunday Forenoon.

Antonio Martinez aged 69 years, and who for a long time had been engaged in business at Asherton, passed away in that place last Saturday morning and the remains were brought to Laredo on Saturday afternoon by automobile. The funeral was held Sunday forenoon at 11 o'clock from 517 Iturbide street, with interment in the Catholic cemetery.

Deceased leaves a number of relatives in Laredo and he was well known here. The funeral was largely attended.

Soon Over His Cold.

Everyone speaks well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy after having used it. Mrs. George Lewis, Pittsfield, N. Y., has this to say regarding it: "Last winter my little boy, five years old, was sick with a cold for two or three week. I doctored him and used various cough medicines but nothing did him much good until I begun using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He then improved rapidly and in a few days was over his cold."

POST WEATHER FORECASTS AT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Invaluable Service Established to Assist Famers Against Frost Hazard in This Section.

The U. S. Weather Bureau's reports are posted daily in the window of the Laredo Chamber of Commerce. These reports are received each morning (except Sunday) from the Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company between 10:30 and 11 o'clock for the convenience of the growers of onions and other crops.

As the frost hazard is greatest at this season of the year, the farmers should watch these reports carefully from now until the middle of February. Farmers who are unable to come to the office may telephone their inquiries between 11 and 12 in the morning or in the afternoon and receive the reports. The chamber of commerce phone number is 374. This service has been established since early in January.

BETTER THAN CALOMEL

Thousands Have Discovered Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets are a Harmless Substitute.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets—the substitute for calomel — are a mild but sure laxative, and their effect on the liver is almost instantaneous. They are the result of Dr. Edwards' determination not to treat liver and bowel complaints with calomel. His efforts to banish it brought out these little olive-colored tablets.

These pleasant little tablets do the good that calomel does, but have no bad after effects. They don't injure the teeth like strong liquids or calomel. They take hold of the trouble and quickly correct it. Why cure the liver at the expense of the teeth? Calomel sometimes plays havoc with the gums. So do strong liquids. It is best not to take calomel, but to let Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets take its place.

Most headaches, "dullness" and that lazy feeling come from constipation and a disordered liver. Take Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets when you feel "loggy" and "heavy." Note how they "clear" clouded brain and how they "perk up" the spirits. 10c and 25c a box. All druggists.

From Monday's Daily.

INVESTIGATE INTO WRECK TO PLACE RESPONSIBILITY

RAILROAD OFFICIALS HELD CONFERENCE AT CORPUS CHRISTI

Rt. Rev. Bishop Nussbaum and Rev. Father Scheid of Corpus Christi Among Those Badly Injured.

The following taken from the Corpus Christi Caller of Sunday regarding the disastrous wreck near that city on Friday morning the Texas-Mexican train from Laredo to Corpus crashed into the rear of a Gulf Coast Lines train at Clarkwood, contains some interesting information:

Right Reverend Paul Nussbaum, Bishop of the Corpus Christi diocese, and Reverend John Scheid, chancellor of the diocese, as well as others who were injured in the railroad collision at Clarkwood Friday morning, were resting easy last night and the early recovery of all those injured is anticipated.

From the Spohn Sanitarium the Caller last night was advised that Bishop Nussbaum and Father Scheid were resting easy. It may be a week or ten days before they will be able to leave the sanitarium.

Officials of the Texas-Mexican Railway Company and of the Gulf Coast lines were here yesterday and during the afternoon held a conference in the private car of General Manager De Wolf of the Texas-Mexican lines. Members of the crews of the two trains that were in the collision were called to attend the conference and they gave statements as to movements during the morning of the two trains that were in the wreck.

It is said that the Gulf Coast train left Robstown at 6:55 o'clock and that the collision occurred at 7:19 o'clock, the passenger train having made the eight miles in twenty-four minutes, running about twenty miles an hour on account of the heavy fog. The accident happened just as the Gulf Coast train was starting from Clarkwood after having been flagged to take on a passenger. The Texas-Mexican mixed train crashed into the Gulf Coast train both being eastbound and both being behind their schedules. Conductor Will McLain of the Gulf Coast lines was killed.

Those injured in the wreck included Bishop Nussbaum, Father Scheid, Francis Gandy of Robstown, Elijah Coles of Houston, A. J. Freyer of San Antonio, Jack Dowling of Laredo, who was engineer of the Texas-Mexican train and Will Brooks of this city and F. B. Williams of Houston, the last two named being negro brakemen of the Gulf Coast lines. A number of others sustained slight brüises.

The funeral of Conductor McLain will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the First Methodist church, the pastor, Reverend Frank B. Buchanan, officiating. Interment will be in Rose Hill.

FEDERAL OFFICERS AWAKE AND AFTER THE SLACKERS

Seven Men Apprehended While "Beating it" to Mexico to Evade the Selective Draft Measure.

Another exodus of slackers from the country to Mexico is under way, but if these "pacifists" succeed in crossing the Rio Grande they will "have to go some" to escape the discerning eyes of the federal authorities here in the dash, and especially Deputy United States Marshal Walker, the department of justice and the immigration authorities, who are always on the job looking for these kind of men.

Alberto Ortiz and Francisco Ortiz, two brothers, who had registered last June and who answered their questionnaires and were placed in Class A, realizing that they were destined for military service, tried to beat it to Mexico after fraudulently securing Mexican passports and were caught and landed in jail with a charge of trying to evade the selective draft lodged against them. Both were born in this state. This morning they were given a preliminary hearing and held in bail of $1,000 each, which they failed to give and were remanded to jail.

Five others being held in jail on charges of trying to evade the selective draft and skip to Mexico, but were apprehended, are Amador Aguilar, F. P. Bordeau, J. Clyde Ainslie, Israel James Ostrowsky alias Ostrav and Morris Post.

THE TAIL-END STRUCK HERE LATE SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

The Predicted Severe Cold Spell Failed to Arrive, But Instead a Light Cold Spell Arrived.

The forecast published on Saturday called for cold weather here on Sunday morning, and while the "blizzard" afiled to appear on schedule time, it arrived somewhat belated late in the afternoon, the norther being accompanied by the usual duststorm.

But it proved to be nothing more than a "gentle norther," and the freezing temperature predicted failed to materialize for the mercury did not drop to anywhere near the 32-degree mark.

TIMES WANT ADS.
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SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt, Editor. Phone 70

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Monday.

The Nullos Club will meet with Mrs. W. N. Young at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Sunbeams of the Baptist Church will hold their regular weekly meeting at the church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Red Cross Surgical Room will be in charge of Mrs. W. D. Butler at 2:30 in the afternoon.

Tuesday.

Red Cross Surgical Room in charge of Mrs. H. M. Austin at 2:30 in the afternoon.

Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church will meet at the Rectory with Mrs. C. W. Cook at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Ladies Aid of the Christian church will meet with Mrs. R. A. Millar at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Rose of the World,
Pure Flower of Love,
Bear safe this message
To God above.

Father in Heaven,
At last we see!
No force but Love
Can make us free.

Rose of the World,
Holiest of Flowers!
Bind in close union
This broad Earth of ours.

Children of God,
Freeborn are we!
Kings may not rule,
Our world is free.

The Answer—
Soldiers of Earth,
Brave boys of Mine!
Bear ye the answer
Straight through the line.

Nations of Earth,
Make way for Me!
Such love as thine
Wins Peace for thee.

—Nida H. Hopkins.

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General Mention.

Mr. R. L. Puster has returned from a short business trip to San Antonio.

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Miss Martha Anderson, who has been attending school at Holding Institute, is now at home with her parents.

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Rev. and Mrs. Owen Hornburg arrived Saturday from Holyoke, Colorado. Mr. Hornburg is the new pastor of the Christian church. As soon as located, their address will be announced.

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Dr. and Mrs. Turpin of Santo Tomas arrived in the city Saturday. Dr. Turpin has gone to Corpus Christi for a short stay and Mrs. Turpin is the guest of Mrs. J. W. Brewster.

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Mr. E. R. Anderson has gone to Dallas on a business trip.

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Capt. Myers has returned from Shreveport, La., and Mrs. Myers has gone to Chicago, where she will stay until March.

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Mr. Clarence G. Jackson arrived on Saturday for a short visit to his family.

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Lieut. and Mrs. Edmonds are expecting Miss Sarah Harrison to be their guest.

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Miss Nan Young has returned to Encinal, after spending the week-end with Mrs. E. J. Foster.

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Announcements.

The Bishop Johnston Junior Auxiliary will meet at the residence of Mrs. R. L. Puster on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock to hold a tamale sale to raise their Easter offering.

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Mrs. Robert L. Muller will entertain the Auction Bridge Club Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

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Entertainment.

Miss Annie Pierce entertained the Girls Bridge Club very delightfully on Saturday afteroon. The time was passed in knitting and at the close of the afternoon the hostess served delicious tamales and coffee. Those present were: Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Tucker, Mrs. Cluck, Misses Belle Westbrook, Marguerite Nelson, Katherine Tarver and Esther Hirsch. The guests included Miss Bracken and Miss Jo Gray.

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Concert and Dance.

A very enjoyable time was had at the Latin-American Club last evening, the Llera Duo furnishing a delightful concert and the guests enjoying a dance after the concert. There was a large attendance and those present enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

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Busy Bees.

The Busy Bees were delightfully entertained on Saturday afternoon by Lois and Dorothy Derby with an outing to the Chacon, where a picnic supper was served. The little ladies met at the home of the hostesses and from there they proceed to the carline and rode to the Heights, where they were met by a large wagon which carried them to the Chacon. Needless to say the latter part of the journey proved the most delightful. After an hour of play was enjoyed, a time was devoted to knitting and then a delicious basket luncheon was served. Those present were: Dorothy Morton, Emilie Halsell, Rosalie Biggio, Minerva G'Sell, Anna May Mussett, Marjorie Fish, Hattie May Bryan, Evelyn Ryan, Josephine Brewster, Helen Lindsay and Doris and Lois Derby. The return was made in automobiles. The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Derby, Mrs. Biggio and Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Christen. The guests included Dan, Dick and George Derby, Harry Johnston Jr. and Sonny Biggio.

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The Post Hop.

The officers and ladies of Fort McIntosh entertained on Saturday evening with the regular weekly hop at the Thirty-seventh Infantry Club. Among those who enjoyed the pleasure of the occasion were: Misses Marguerite Nelson, Marzelle Beene, Maxime Taylor, Ruth Scratchley, Bracken, Ethel Mackin, Nan Young, Kathryn MacGregor; Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Barlow, Capt. and Mrs. Dwan, Dr. and Mrs. Marsh, Lieut. and Mrs. Wheeler, Capt. Horn, Lieut. Murray, Lieut. von Engen, Lieut. Finck, Lieut. Harris, Lieut. Colburn, Lieut. Ryan, Lieut. Carroll, Lieut. Johnson, Lieut. Groth, Lieut. Elwood and Capt. McClure.

PERSONALS

Dr. F. J. Woltman of Quincy, Illinois, arrived in Laredo Saturday to make his home and assume charge of the optical department at the store of L. Daiches, the jeweler.

BENDER:—C. C. Rowley, Houston; A. F. Main, Mexico; B. M. Hubbard, Chicago; J. M. Myrick, New York; J. E. Ferguson, Cincinnati, O.; C. McDade, Oklahoma City, Okla.; A. K. House, T. M. McClure, Chicago; Wm. F. Carroll and wife, San Luis Potosi; B. F. Palmer, E. E. Hobel, Dallas; H. P. Guerra, Jas. H. Guerra, Roma; Sid Ottenheimer, New York; Edward F. McGovern, Boston, Mass.; R. L. Bassett and wife, San Antonio; F. G. Platts, Kansas City, Mo.; W. H. Smith, Temple; W. T. Murewuther and wife, Tampico; E. G. Garwood and wife, San Antonio.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT HELPS PAY FOR BREAD

There has been much misunderstanding about the bread program in England. It is true that the Englishman buys a loaf of bread for less than an American can, but it is poorer bread, and the British government is paying $200,000,000 a year toward the cost of it.

All the grain grown in Great Britain is taken over by the government at an arbitrary price and the imported wheat purchased on the markets at the prevailing market price. This is turned over to the mills by the government at a price that allows the adulterated war bread loaf of four pounds to sell at 18 cents, the two pound loaf at 9 cents and the one pound loaf at 5 cents.

In France, under conditions somewhat similar, but with a larger extraction, the four pound loaf sells for 16 cents.

MAKING MEATLESS DAYS PERMANENT.

In the meatless menu there is a fertile field for developing new and nourishing dishes, according to E. H. Niles, writing in the Hotel Gazette, who believes that the present shortage of meat and fats will not end with the coming of peace, but may grow more acute and continue for five or six years, thus making it worth while to develop menus of grain, vegetables and fish on a more or less permanent basis. Meat can be replaced by cereals and other protein foods, or may be served in very small portions as a flavoring for other food. In making up meatless menus this author finds our American Creole and southern cuisine a broad field for investigation.

THE JANUARY FARM AND FIRESIDE.

The January Farm and Fireside is the first monthly issue of Farm and Fireside, the national farm paper, which has always been heretofore published twice a month at Springfield, Ohio. In this issue Ivan S. Rossiter, a Canadian private who was captured by the Germans, tells how it feels to be a prisoner in German hands; "When You Build Your House" is a helpful and suggestive article; "Borrowing Money From Uncle Sam" is an article which will tell you how to do so; and "Prosperity Through Planning" will show you how to boss your work. In addition, there are articles about winter dairying, housework, gardens, automobiles, farming without horses, health, beauty, and the first installment of a fine fiction story centered around a plot to injure a submarine destroyer, all of which round out an excellent issue.

BABY'S FUNERAL SUNDAY WAS LARGELY ATTENDED

Body of Infant Son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Jackson Laid to Rest With Impressive Ceremonies.

The funeral of Clarence Frederick Jackson, the three-months-old infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Jackson, who died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Lusk, 1909 W. Houston street Friday night at 10:30 o'clock, took place from the Lusk home to the city cemetery yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock and was attended by a large number of friends of the family.

Funeral services were conducted at the home by Rev. C. W. Cook of the Episcopal church, who also conducted the committal service at the grave, while the choir of the Episcopal church rendered solemn music at both the home and grave. Many beautiful floral tributes had been sent to the house of sorrow, and when the little grave was mounded with mother earth it was covered by dainty flowers, soon to wither and die like the little darling who had been taken from the home of the loved ones here on earth to that home in heaven where children are called to the eternal kingdom.

Masonic Notice.

Stated meeting of Laredo Lodge No. 547 A. F. & A. M. tonight at 8 p. m. All brethren invited to attend.

J. L. DANNELLEY, W. M.

SPORT CHATTER.

The Bethlehem soccer team seems to have unearthed a genuine star in Ratigan, their center forward, who hails from St. Louis.

The midwinter golf tournament at Pinehurst this year was not attended by so many prominent players as in former years.

Billiard enthusiasts proclaim Walker Cochran, Chicago's youthful cue artist, as the future contender for Willie Hoppe's crown.

Coach Hughey Duffy of the Harvard baseball squad has notified the Crimson pastimers to report for practice in the cage Feb. 11.

Toledo is to have Grand Circuit racing this year, and famous Readville, Mass., track will also stage a big line meeting, the first in several seasons.

Johnny Griffiths, the Akron boxer, is to try his hand at refereeing, having been licensed by the Akron boxing commission.

'Tis said that Manager McGraw has a goodly number of his Giants in line for next season, and no real holdouts among those of his pastimers who have not yet signed.

Jack Dempsey, the California heavyweight, is to be given a chance at the winner of the Jack Dillon-Homer Smith bout scheduled for Ft. Wayne, Ind., Jan. 31.

Word drifted out of Maine the other day that George Lablanc, the old-time fighter known as "the Marine," has been seriously hurt while chopping wood in the Maine forests.

The Eastern baseball league has decided to get into the running again the coming season. A while back it was feared that the old circuit had gone on the rocks.

Ed Konetchy, the Braves' first baseman, is one ball player willing to take a cut in salary. Ed has been drawing down $8,000 per from the Braves, and no doubt is able to stand a salary pruning.

Several major league club owners favor Charlie Comiskey's plan to send the two pennant winning big league teams to France and England as soon as the war is over.

While it has been denied in some quarters that President Frazee paid $60,000 in cash for Schang, Bush and Struck of the Athletics, the Red Sox owner is emphatic in asserting that the figures are correct.

Sol Matzger is out as football coach of Washington and Jefferson, the University having returned to the graduate coaching system. But as Sol is now in Uncle Sam's service he is not worrying over football matters.

THE FEBRUARY WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION.

Ida Tarbell has written a fine article called "Patriotic Buying" for the February Woman's Home Companion. It points out how much could be saved by sensible ordering and elimination of deliveries by the stores. "The High Cost of Beauty" is the story of a beauty parlor of Fifth Avenue, New York, as told to Corinne Lowe; Mary Heaton Vorse writes about "The Perfect Young Person"; and there is an interesting article about Better Films in your town.

The fiction is fine this month, starting off with the first part of a new novel by Mark Lee Luther called "The Hope Chest." It will be concluded next month. Other stories are by Elizabeth Jordan, Nancy Gunter Boykin, and Mary Cutting.

Every department maintains its usual high standard and the fashions, pictures, cooking, and all the others having interesting and instructive material.

BY TITIAN MAYBE.

Mrs. Newrich—Me and John have had our portraits painted by four American artists and not one of them is satisfactory. After the war we intend to go abroad and see what the old masters can do.—Exchange.

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REPLIES IN DETAIL TO CHAMBERLAIN'S SPEECH BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE

Secretary Baker Told Why French and British Artillery was being Used by American Troops and Said Enough Rifles were Ready for All Who were Acquainted with Their Use in American Army.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Secretary Baker, replying to Senator Chamberlain's charges of inefficiency in the war department at the public hearing before the senate military committee today, said there were more than a million men under arms in this country, referring to the cases of alleged neglect of the dead cited in Mr. Chamberlain's speech.

The secretary said that where deficiencies were disclosed they had been promptly modified, that they were the exception rather than the rule, and that the magnitude of America's undertaking made errors of judgment likely. France and Great Britain, he said, are supplying artillery to the American forces because they wished to do so, because they had an excess on hand and wished to save the ships for more vital necessities. Thirty-two divisions of national guards and national army troops in camp in the United States, more than one million in all, are considered ready for overseas service whenever it is decided to send them. The secretary said that every American soldier who can use a rifle has already been provided with one and the rate of manufacture assures a steady supply as troops become ready to use them. The Lewis machine guns, he said although they have been ordered are not being used for land troops because Gen. Pershing desires them for only airplane work. He said France and Great Britain are prepared to furnish machine guns for the land forces until the American supplies arrive, and wish to do so.

Court Refused Delay.

Washington, Jan. 28.—The supreme court today, by declining a rehearing of the case and ordering a mandate issued at once, refused a delay in carrying out the sentences of Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman, convicted of conspiring to violate the draft law.

Second Heatless Monday.

New York, Jan. 28.—Industry in New York halted again today on the second of the heatless and lightless Mondays ordered by the fuel administration. The New York stock exchange closed today, as well as many banking institutions of the financial district.

To Expedite Appeal.

Washington, Jan. 28.—The supreme court agreed today to expedite the appeal in the proceedings brought by the Associated Press to prevent pirating of news by the International News Service. April 15 was fixed for the hearing of arguments.

REPLACE MILITARY OFICERS.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Major General Goethals is reorganizing the quartermaster general's office. Military officers are being replaced by civilian business men. Obtaining soldiers' clothing is now the task of A. L. Scott, while distributing them is entrusted to R. J. Thorne and embarcation to T. A. Tilly. All of these men are highly experienced.

REGISTRATION NEXT WEEK OF GERMAN ALIEN ENEMIES

Chief of Police Brennan Will Serve as Chief Registrar and Registration Will Continue During Week.

Deputy United States Marshal Allen Walker is in receipt of a letter from United States Marshal Herring at Houston enclosing him copies of the regulations for the registration of German alien enemies in Laredo, the registration to be carried out in this city under the supervision of Chief of Police M. Brennan at the police station on February 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.

This is done upon instructions from Attorney General Gregory, as it is regarded that in cities of over 5,000 inhabitants the only manner in which the object so desired can be accomplished is through the police department.

Relative to the registration, particular attention is directed to the following: Persons Required to Register: All natives, citizens, denizens or subjects of the German empire, or imperial German government, being males of the age of fourteen years or upwards who are within the United States and not actually naturalized American citizens are required to register as alien enemies.

DISTURBANCES ARE COMMON IN GERMANY

TROOPS WITH MACHINE GUNS ORDERED TO SUPPRESS REVOLTS NEAR COLOGNE.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 28.—Reports of disturbances in Germany are again current in Holland and several outbreaks are said to have been occurred in the Rheinisch industrial districts. Troops with machine guns have been ordered to Muelkheim on the Rhine, opposite Cologne, but there are no details.

Revolution in Finland.

Stockholm, Jan. 28.—The long-threatened revolution in Finland is proceeding in the eastern provinces, according to despatches to Harapanda, forwarded here. The Russian Red Guard is reported to have occupied the railway station at Helsingfors. Sharp fighting has taken place at Viborg. Russian soldiers are said to be aiding the Red Guard, and reinforcements are reported sent from Petrograd.

Cunard Steamer Sunk.

London, Jan. 28.—The Cunard steamer Andania reported yesterday torpedoed but not sunk went to the bottom, despite efforts to get her into port, according to information reaching the Associated Press today.

American Boat Ashore.

Washington, Jan. 28.—An American patrol boat went ashore on a rock January 25 in European waters, it was reported to the navy department. There was no loss of life or injury to the crew. The vessel probably will have to be abandoned.

Steamship Cork Torpedoed.

London, Jan. 28.—The steamship Cork has been torpedoed and seven passengers and five members of the crew were lost.

BOMBS ON LA TOURAINE.

Special to The Times.

New York, Jan. 28.—Hermann Ebling, testifying in the trial of Franz Rinteling and a dozen others accused of conspiracy to sink steamers, said the plotters placed bombs on the steamer La Touraine. The bombs exploded, but the liner reached France.

FARMERS HOLD POTATOES.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 28.—America's record potato crop of 4,425,036,000 bushels is only one-third marketed, according to the United States department of agriculture. Measures are recommended to bring the potatoes to market, lest a vast waste result.

ADOPTING FRENCH CITIES.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 28.—A plan has been launched by which French villages which have been partially ruined by the destructive bombardment by the enemy will be restored by American cities. Thus, Noyon has been adopted by Washington, Soissons by Detroit and Rheims by Chicago, etc. The first attempt will be made to raise money to purchase building material. The work is to extend over central and northern France, to relieve the congestion in the south, which has not fared so badly.

J. J. Haynes Very Sick.

The Times is sorry to announce that Mr. James J. Haynes is seriously ill with pneumonia at his home No. 1704 aMtamoros street.

The liver loses its activity at times and needs help. HERBINE is an effective liver stimulant. It also purifies the bowels, strengthens digestion and restores strength, vigor and cheerful spirits. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists. x

Hello Bill!

Tonight is regular meeting night of Laredo Lodge No. 1018 B. P. O. E. and a full attendance of members is urged.

G. R. WEBER, Sec'y.

HEAVY SNOW STORM IN PENNSYLVANIA

WORST TIE-UP OF RAILROAD IN YEARS AND FREIGHT SERVICE ENTIRELY STOPPED.

By Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Jan. 28.—The biggest snowstorm of the winter has caused the worst tie-up of the Pennsylvania road in years. Trains were stalled all along the line and four fast freight trains were blocked in the mountains.

Freight Service Stopped.

New York, Jan. 28.—Freight service in the anthracite regions was entirely stopped by the storm, according to the statement of National Director of Railroads Smith.

NAMED WOMEN DEPUTIES.

Special to The Times.

New York, Jan. 28.—The county clerk has appointed two women as deputies, being the first of six named to that rank for full official powers, who will have charge of the issuance of naturalization papers.

THRIFT STAMPS AS TIPS.

Special to The Times.

New York Jan. 28.—War thrift savings stamps are ousting small coins as tips to bell boys, waiters, barbers, etc. Head waiters are accepting thrift certificates for $4.12, redeemable in 1923 at $5, in lieu of the usual bill for choice tables or special service.

WOMEN FEEL SUPERIOR TO MEN

Mary Heaton Vorse has a very sensible article in the February Woman's Home Companion in which she says some things which every young girl ought to read. She says in part:

"The spectacle of the superior young female is a laughable one, but it is far more tragic than it is laughable, for nothing so seals spirit hermetically from anything that one may learn from another than a calm belief in one's own excellence.

"It is this early belief in woman's intrinsic moral superiority that is truly poisonous to any real growth. It makes it possible for women to be mischievous tale-bearers but yet never repeat a malicious remark without the noble gesture of one performing a painful duty.

"Feeling superior never yet made anyone superior, but quite the contrary. Is it not about time to admit that we are made very much of the same material as our men-folks, and to teach this to our young girls? That, while life develops us differently, on the whole it asks rather more of men? It is also good to teach girls that the same thing that develops a man's character also develops a woman's and that while want and overwork thwart humankind, lack of responsibility, and idleness, breed limited, imperfect human beings."

EXPLAINED.

"I wonder why they don't put the Stars and Strips on our stamps?"

"Why, every tongue would be against the act of exposing our National colors to a licking."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

RETURNING CIVILIANS.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 28.—A distressing situation exists on the Swiss border, where civilian prisoners officered by Germans are being returned at the rate of 1,000 daily.

THE SAILOORS ALSO.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Jan. 28.—The crews of all American merchant ships plying the Atlantic coast and Gulf ports will be included under the special Hooverized ration class for beef, pork and wheat. An extension of the same program is expected to the Pacific coast in the near future.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

From Tuesday's Daily.

WAR AND POLITICS.

While the president is opposed to the establishment of a war council to handle military and naval matters, we do not believe, as does the Texas Republic, that he is in any way actuated by a desire to make political capital for a coming presidential election. In the first place, we do not believe Mr. Wilson has any more than a natural desire to carry on what he has so successfully done for months past, and in the second place, he is convinced of the futility of attempting to secure a third term nomination, even if he were so inclined.

For a body of men to attempt to settle the war policies with which the president is charged by our constitution would be to invite confusion and perhaps disaster. No other president we have ever had, not even Lincoln, with the problems of the Civil War to depress and disturb him, has ever been confronted with the difficulties which Mr. Wilson is facing with serene front and undisturbed mind.

We have never before had so effective an army raised within so short a time. The business of war has become as scientific nowadays as the conduct of any other concern. The difficulty was to get congress to pass laws permitting the conscription of a certain percentage of our young manhood, and then the duty of handling that machine and perfecting it devolved by law upon the president.

It is true that many senators and congressmen have attempted at times to usurp some of them perhaps with the idea of relieving his burdens and others with the desire of self-aggrandizement. But so far they have failed.

We have not only secured a greater army than was ever before known in this country, but we have trained the officers who in former times were appointed for the amount of political control they could secure and for their social and financial importance.

We now have the spectacle of many wealthy society leaders serving as privates under their former employes, and of railroad men, machinists, chauffeurs, clerical workers and college students wearing the insignia of commissioned officers, not because of their former standing in civil life, or even because of their previous attainments, but because they went to work and earned their appointments.

We see the men of a great army safeguarded from dissipation of all sorts; surrounded by all the moral influences with which we have not always surrounded even the children in the primary grades in our public schools; taught the lessons of self-restraint, as well as of military discipline, and promoted before they have ever smelt the battle smoke simply because they have convinced their superiors that they were worthy of promotion.

We have been told that he who ruleth himself is greater than he who taketh a city, and certain it is that the army commanded by our commander-in-chief, the president of the United States, is a better army—morally, mentally and physically—than any other army that ever prepared to face physical foes.

To ask the president to step aside or relinquish any of his lawful prerogatives, as well as his lawful duties, would be to cast discredit upon what he has already done. Lincoln once said, in his homely though apposite way, that "it is dangerous to swap horses in the middle of a stream." We have not yet reached the other bank, and the tried and satisfactory animal would certainly be better left to bear the burden than to try a team, whether four abreast or in tandem.

There is no positive certainty that any three or five or any other number of men would always agree on the best thing to do. We have already seen that even the president's advisers are not always able to agree with him, in which case he thanks them and—does what he thinks best.

And if he had to be subordinated to a war council chosen by congress, how long does anyone think it would be before the split occurred? Let congress attend to its own duties and let the president run his own affairs.

WAKING UP.

The people of Mexico are waking up—some of them, at least—to the fact that the United States is their best friend and not their worst enemy, as so many anti-Americans have attempted to tell them. It may be that the scarcity of foodstuffs has some effect in bringing about this new belief, or it may be the knowledge that the allies are going to win in the present war is influencing many who have previously been pro-German in their leanings to take the opposite course.

For some months past a Mexican journalist, a notorious "trimmer" who makes his living by adopting first one side and then the other, according as the pay is superior to what he has been getting, has been attempting in his paper, "El Democrata," to influence the Mexicans against the United States and in favor of Germany.

For a while, according to a local Mexican paper, he had a correspondent in Laredo, but the latter left here some time ago when he was notified to appear before the local exemption board and show cause why he should not be drafted into the United States army.

The "Universal," the one important anti-German newspaper of Mexico City, and which has been a determined opponent of the "Democrata" campaign from its very inception, reproduces a "news" item which recently appeared in the German organ with a Laredo date line, and which read as follows:

"The United States government has invited the governments of Canada and Cuba to join in an armed intervention in Mexico, with the object of taking the ports of Vera Cruz, Tampico and Progreso and thus assure the defense of the Gulf of Mexico against a supposed German submarine incursion. This invitation was made to Cuba in view of the fact that it is the only way in which that Republic can aid the allies, as it cannot send forces to Europe because of the uprising which such a determination would cause. The American government has menaced Cuba with a suspension of the shipment of foodstuffs in case that country refuses to aid in this project."

It is perfectly conceivable, as "El Universal" says, that the item was not sent from Laredo, but was made up in the home office of "El Democrata." It would not be the first time that "news" was invented and given to the public of Mexico without the slightest foundation in fact.

It is interesting to note that the Mexican newspapers, "the stormy petrels" of journalism, are beginning to take the right side of the controversy, even though it be only because of self-interest. It proves that even those who have heretofore been troubled with an itching palm are beginning to see that the best interests of Mexico, as well as their own, lie in preserving peace between our country and the strife-torn republic to the south, and that Germany can never be anything more than a prodigal paymaster and a false friend.

That the editor of the "Democrata" will be punished, as is suggested by his opponent, is hardly likely. There have been attacks on the very government of Mexico that have gone on immune from punishment, for one reason or other, and it does not seem to be to the interest of the Mexican government to prevent, much less punish, attacks on the Washington administration.

Of course, such a proposition as that quoted in the German organ could not bear the light of day. It is too absurd for any intelligent persons to even consider for a moment. Canada is too much occupied with her own affairs to lend herself to such a scheme, and she is too far away to make it available, even should she be so disposed. And Cuba naturally would not for a moment consider a proposition to attack Mexico, a country allied to her by ties of common origin and speech, as well as common interests.

The German agents will have to think up a new sort of lie with which to interest the Mexican people. Not even the most ignorant pelado would rise to such a bait, and just now Juan Gomez et al are too much interested in getting the necessities of life to be willing to start another revolution.

After all, there is hope for the Mexicans who are living in the neighborhood of Tampico. A German has discovered a way to make "cooking oil" from crude petroleum. We forgot to state, however, that most of those who used it died.

The second workless, heatless and lightless Monday came to New York yesterday, with even the stock exchange and some of the Wall street banks closing. But of course if no one is working and earning money, of what use is a exchange?

Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman must begin serving their sentence at once, the supreme court having refused a rehearing or a delay. We should like to see them sent to the Texas penitentiary. Their crime was too severe for the comparatively mild punishment of a federal prison.

INSULTED AMERICAN FLAG AND SKIPPED FOR MEXICO

But Like the Cat, He Came Back, the Officers Nabbed Him and he is Now in Jail Facing Serious Charge.

Constable Eduardo Herrera and Immigration Inspector M. G. Delling arrived in Laredo yesterday afternoon from the mines, having in custody a prisoner named Rafael Mendez, charged with desecrating the American flag. Mendez is a young man, a native of Mexico, and was formerly employed as a miner at the coal mines at Dolores.

On the big Mexican holiday, "El 16 de Septiembre," 1917, Mendez is alleged to have insulted the American flag when, on going to a place at Joyce, near Dolores, that had been elaborately decorated for the occasion in the flags of the United States and Mexico, he pulled down an American flag, tore it into strips and cast the remnants to the floor with vile utterances. He must have immediately realized the gravity of the offense, for he disappeared instantly and had never been seen or heard from until Sunady last, when he appeared near the scene of his indiscreet and insulting act and the officers, who had been patiently awaiting his return, nabbed him and turned him over to the federal authorities here and he is now in the county jail here.

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FINDS WORK FOR CRIPPLES IN HIS FACTORY



This photograph shows Francis W. Mu k—in center—with a number of the cripples whom he employs in his carriage bolt factory in Philadelphia. He prefers to have crippled men and boys d advertises for them in the daily papers.

NOTABLE BIRTHDAY TODAY.

JANUARY 29.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., son and heir of the Standard Oil magnate, enters upon his forty-fifth year today, having been born Jan. 29, 1874, in Cleveland, Ohio. As a man born to the control of huge wealth, Mr. Rockefeller has had a rather simple and old-fashioned bringing up, under religious and moral instruction of the older evangelical type. He was sent to Brown University for his college education, and graduated with the respect of the student body. Put immediately at work learning the intricacies and methods of the great corporate maze from which both he and his father derive the most of their income, he succeeded there. More than most men of his class, he has shown an interest in religion and in humanitarian causes, and as a consequence has had much to do with deciding on the policies of the large althruistic foundations which his father has founded. He is generally conceded to have sincere interest in solving the industrial problems of his time in an equitable way.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Texas-Mexican.

Train No. 1 leaves for Corpus Christi at 1:20 p. m.

Train No. 3 leaves for Corpus Christi at 8:30 p. m.

Train No. 2 arrives from Corpus Christ at 2:10 p. m.

Train No. 4 arrives from Corpus Christi at 7:05 p. m.

International & Great Northern.

Through fast train for St. Louis leaves at 11:00 a. m. and arrives at 4:15 p. m.

Night Train.

Leaves at 9 p. m. and arrives at 8 a. m.

Rio Grande & Eagle Pass.

Train No. 1 leaves Laredo daily except Sunday at 8 a. m. Arrives at Minera at 10:20 a. m.

Train No. 2 leaves Minera daily except Sunday at 1 p. m. Arrives at Laredo at 3:15 p. m.

Masonic Notice.

Called meeting of Laredo Lodge No. 547 A. F. & A. M. tonight at 8 p. m. Work in F. C. degree. All visiting brethren invited to attend.

J. L. DANNELLEY, W. M.

MUSTEROLE—QUICK RELIEF! NO BLISTER!

It Soothes and Relieves Like a Mustard Plaster Without the Burn or Sting

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30c and 60c jars; hospital size $2.50.

MUSTEROLE
WILL NOT BLISTER

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Webb County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Webb, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

Notice of Application For Probate of Will.

The State of Texas,

To all Persons interested in the Estate of Eulalia Vela Vda. de Flores deceased, Regulo Flores executor, has filed in the County Court of Webb County, an application for the probate of the last will and testament of Eulalia Vela Vda. de Flores deceased, and for letters testamentary which will be heard at the next Term of said court, commencing the Third Monday in February, A. D. 1918, at the Court House thereof, in the City of Laredo, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court this writ, with your return thereon endorsed, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Laredo, Texas, this 21st day of Jan. A. D. 1918.

J. A. RODRIGUEZ,
Clerk Co. Court, Webb Co., Texas.
By C. R. MOLINA, Deputy.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

JANUARY 29.

1717—Sir Jeffrey Amherst, who commanded the British forces in the war against the French in America, born. Died Aug. 3, 1797.

1820—Accession of King George IV of England.

1840—Captain Hobson, the first governor, landed in New Zealand.

1843—William McKinley, twenty-fifth President of the United States, born at Niles, O. Died at Buffalo, Sept. 14, 1901.

1856—Order of the Victoria Cross instituted by Queen Victoria.

1867—President Johnson vetoed the Compromise bill for the admission of Nebraska.

1895—North German Lloyd liner Elbe sunk in collision in North Sea, with loss of several hundred lives.

1896—The main body of the Cuban insurgent army was defeated, with heavy loss, at St. Lucia.

1904—Demand was made by the Thibet authorities that the English expedition be withdrawn.

1905—The airship "California Arrow" flew 45 miles at Los Angeles.

THE WAR:—

1915—Royal decree called Italian troops to the colors.

1916—Twenty-four persons reported killed in a Zeppelin raid on Paris.

1917—Germans under the Crown Prince delivered a heavy blow at Verdun, capturing the French positions on Hill 304.

Soon Over His Cold.

Everyone speaks well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy after having used it. Mrs. George Lewis, Pittsfield, N. Y., has this to say regarding it: "Last winter my little boy, five years old, was sick with a cold for two or three week. I doctored him and used various cough medicines but nothing did him much good until I begun using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He then improved rapidly and in a few days was over his cold."

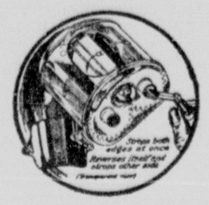
AMERICAN AMBULANCES ON THE MARNE FRONT



In long trains that stretch as far as the eye can reach the cars of the American ambulance field service speed along the roads in France. Here a train attached to the French service is seen moving along the road to a base on the Marne front.

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J. J. HAYNES DOING NICELY AT HIS HOME IN THIS CITY

Ill With an Attack of Pneumonia, But Attending Physician Says Condition of Patient is Improved.

The condition of Mr. James J. Haynes, who was stricken ill with an attack of pneumonia on last Thursday morning, is reported as improved by the attending physician and there are good chances of his recovery soon.

Mr. Haynes was stricken with a chill just after arising from his bed Thursday morning at his home, 1704 Matamoros street, and medical aid was immediately summoned. His many friends hope to soon greet Mr. Haynes on the streets in his usual health.

Notice to Tax-payers.

Your attention is called to the fact that you must pay your state and county taxes on or before January 31st if you want to avoid the penalty fixed by law. My office in the county court house is open from 9 a. m. to 12 m. and from 2 to 5 p. m.

H. LIGARDE,
County Tax Collector.
1-10-20t.

Notice to the Public.

Beginning on the 1st of February I am compelled to raise the price of milk to 20c a quart, 60c a gallon.

M. A. HARPER,
1-29-3t.

DIZZY SPELLS

Relieved After Taking Two Bottles Of Cardui, Says Tennessee Lady.

Whitwell, Tenn.—Mrs. G. P. Cartwright, of this place, writes: "About four years ago the dizzy spells got so bad that when I would start to walk I would just pretty near fall. I wasn't past doing my work, but was very much run-down.

I told my husband I thought Cardui would help me, as a lady who lived next door to me had taken a great deal, and told me to try it. This was when we were living in Kentucky.

My husband got me a bottle and I took it according to directions. It helped me so much that he went back and got me another bottle. I got a whole lot better and just quit taking it. I got over the dizzy spells... I took no other medicine at that time nor since for this trouble. No, I've never regretted taking Cardui.

I felt just fine when I finished the second bottle."

Purely vegetable, mild and gentle in its action, Cardui, the woman's tonic, may be the very medicine you need. If you suffer from symptoms of female troubles, give Cardui a trial. All druggists. NC-129

TROUBLE COST HER A THOUSAND DOLLARS

WAS CONFINED TO HER HOME FOR FOUR YEARS—GOES TO MOVIES NOW AND ENJOYS LIFE.

"When my friends and neighbors see me going out to the movies with my daughters and enjoying life once more they tell me they can hardly believe I am the same bed-ridden woman they have known me to be for the last four years," said Mrs. G. A. Andrews, of 6007 Missouri Street, El Paso, Texas, the other day.

"I was laid up for more than four years with rheumatism so I was unable to leave my house, and fully half the time I lay flat of my back in bed unable to move. My body and limbs were so swollen they seemed to be twice their natural size and my face was puffed up so I could hardly see. My back hurt all the time and I could lie on neither side with comfort. My kidneys gave me no end of trouble, my head ached all the time like it would burst and my feet and finger tips tingled like they were asleep. My nerves were all on edge so I would go all to pieces at any little noise and what little sleep I got didn't do me any good. My appetite failed and I got so I had to force myself to eat enough to keep me alive.

"I had spent all of a thousand dollars trying to get well, but nothing did me any good and I was about to give up hope when I heard of Tanlac. I was actually amazed to find I mas getting better from the first few doses. I have taken three bottles so far and the swelling has entirely disappeared. My nerves are all right and I can sleep all night with comfort. I am so hungry I can hardly eat enough to satisfy my appetite and I have so much life and energy I want to keep on the go all the time. I help with the housework and the sewing and I signed my name today for the first time in four years. I could not have believed it possible for any medicine to do so much good in so short a time as Tanlac has done for me."

Tanlac is sold in Laredo by Windrow Drug Co. (Adv.)

For Itching Torture

There is one remedy that seldom fails to stop itching torture and relieve skin irritation and that makes the skin soft, clear and healthy.

Any druggist can supply you with zemo, which generally overcomes all skin diseases. Acne, eczema, itch, pimples, rashes, blackheads, in most cases give way to zemo. Frequently, minor blemishes disappear overnight. Itching usually stops instantly. Zemo is a safe, antiseptic liquid, clean, easy to use and dependable. It costs only 35c; an extra large bottle, $1.00. It will not stain, is not greasy or sticky and is positively safe for tender, sensitive skins.

The E. W. Rose Co., Cleveland, O

From Wednesday's Daily.

LITTLE LOCALS

—Remember the Thrift Stamp Card Party, Friday afternoon, at 3:30, old Latin-American Club Rooms, Auspices Woman's Club. Admission 50c.

—The condition of Mr. J. J. Haynes is reported much improved today. Deputy Sheriff M. G. Benavides is also reported getting along nicely.

—Home made tamales on sale Thursday, January 31, at Mrs. Puster's. Phone orders for supper to No. 537. 1-28-3t.

—District Clerk Ochoa announces that he is now ready to issue jury scrip and asks that all those who have any scrip due them to please call at his office and get same.

—Four out of six Mexican women arrested by the police department on Monday night, were yesterday arraigned before the police court and the decision reached was that they must shake Laredo dust off their heels and leave for other parts. They were given until tonight to leave town. City Marshal Brennan says he is going to enforce the law against undesirable women.

—Cards and favors done in water color and ink. 1717 Farragut St. 1-24-6t.

—When wanting milk phone 356. 1-22-tf.

—Come Friday to the Thrift Stamp Card Party and bring your knitting if you do not care for cards. "Pay As You Enter" 50c and get a Thrift Card with Stamp attached.

—The weather this morning early had a slight wintry touch to it, but the atmosphere was not of the severe kind experienced here lately. What is needed here mostly just now is a good old-fashioned rain to restore the soil to its normal condition and then springtime would find it in excellent shape and the country would soon be carpeted with a cloak of verdure; in fact, a good rain just now would make everybody feel better.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-tf.

—Don't forget to pay your poll taxes by midnight tomorrow or you will be deprived of the privilege of voting at any elections to be held this year. There is a big rush on to get poll taxes today and the indications are that there will be crowds on hand for this purpose until midnight tomorrow at the offices of the city and county tax collectors.

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—The JITNEY BOND—IT HAS COME TO STAY! Have you one? If not, let us start you on your way. Come Friday to our party at old Latin-American Club Room, bring us 50c and see what happens. Woman's Club.

—City Garage, tel. 515. Jitney cars. Vulcanizing. Work guaranteed. 8-11-tf.

—Jose Camara, a Spaniard who was residing at Toluca, Mexico, has had Article 33 applying to pernicious foreigners applied to him and expelled from Mexico, arriving here this morning. He was evicted as the result of a trick played on him by a government official who took exception to the presentation of a bill for booze due Camara.

—Texas Real Estate & Abstract Co. 1012 Farragut street. Phone 1061. Abstracts of property in Laredo and lands of Webb county. 7-19-tf.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-tf.

—The following importations from Mexico passed through the port of Laredo today: One carload of hides, one carload of bones, two carloads of garlic, fifteen carloads of ixtle, two carloads of henequen, one carload of rubber, one carload of iron, one carload of antimony, eleven carloads of calamine and fourteen carloads of lead.

—The Bellmont. Rooms and apartments. 602 Main Ave. Phone 576 or 1017. 6-20-tf.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-t.

—The following marriage licenses have been issued by the county clerk since last report: Serafin Sanchez and Miss Aurora Leal, John Urh and Miss Nora Johnson.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-9-tf.

GOTHAM SCHOOLS CUT OUT GERMAN.

New York, Jan. 30.—Study of foreign languages in the elementary schools of New York city will be discontinued after tomorrow, in accordance with a recent decision of the board of education. While applying equally to all languages, German will be affected chiefly, since about 65 per cent of the children in the elementary grades studying foreign tongues have been taking German courses.

THIS IS THE PROPER TIME TO BEGIN PLANTING TREES

Pruning and Planting is the Order of the Day in This Portion of Texas at This Season of Year.

This is the season of the year when both pruning and planting of shade and ornamental trees is the order of the day, as the sap is down now and it is the ideal time for trimming trees, transplanting or planting them, and when warm weather sets in in the springtime the plants will be in excellent condition for attaining a sturdy growth.

For many years past it has been a custom among the people of Southern Texas to designate Saint Valentine's Day and Washington's Birthday anniversary, February 14 and 22 respectively, as the ideal time for tree planting, for by the latter date winter is supposed to be waning and springtime will soon begin. There is nothing that gives a home premises a more attractive and inviting appearance than shade and ornamental trees and shrubbery, and all those who have yards bare of trees or shrubs should arrange now to get them and plant them out during the month of February.

W.S.S.
WAR SAVINGS STAMPS
ISSUED BY THE
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THE RUSH IS IN FULL BLAST MANY GETTING POLL TAXES

OOffices of Both City and County Tax Collectors Will Be Kept Open Until Midnight Tomorrow Night.

Tomorrow is the last day on which the city and county tax collectors will issue poll tax receipts which will entitle holders thereof to vote at any elections to be held in Laredo and Webb county during the year 1918. There are a number of interesting contests to be pulled off here this year both in the city and county, while state and district officials will also be elected at the general election to be held in November.

For a time interest lagged in the matter of paying poll taxes, but the last two days have witnessed a veritable rush at the offices of the city tax collector in the city hall and the county tax collector at the courthouse, and the indications are that the rush now on will continue until the time when the offices close tomorrow night, as on the final night the tax collectors will give the belated ones until the last moment to take out their poll taxes, which is midnight of January 31st.

MORE LAREDO BOYS ANSWER TO CALL FROM "OVER THERE"

Guy Trout in Aviation Service, and Stewart Glazbrook and Fred Netzer With the U. S. Engineers.

Three Laredo young men who are under the draft age of 21 years, have answered their country's call and are now in two important branches of service. Guy Trout has enlisted in the United States Aviation Corps and is temporarily stationed at the aviation school of the University of Texas at Austin, while Fred Netzer and Stewart Glazbrook are members of the U. S. Engineers.

This information was conveyed in a letter written by Guy Trout to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Trout of this city. Guy was an instructor at the ground school of the aviation department of the University of Texas and made an excellent record, and now he has enlisted as a pilot in the U. S. Aviation Corps and expects to see service "over there," though he will remain at Austin until some time in March.

Notice to the Public.

Beginning on the 1st of February I am compelled to raise the price of milk to 20c a quart, 60c a gallon.

M. A. HARPER,
1-29-3t.

DANGERS OF A COLD.

Laredo People Will Do Well to Heed Them.

Many bad cases of kidney trouble result from a cold or chill. Congested kidneys fall behind in filtering the poison-laden blood and backache, headache, dizziness and disordered kidney action follow. Don't neglect a cold. Use Doan's Kidney Pills at the first sign of kidney trouble. Follow this Laredo resident's example:

Carmen Zamora, 1408 Iturbide St., says: "Whenver I caught cold or did a little extra work the pain in my back got so bad I couldn't stoop over to save my life. The kidney secretions were scanty and painful in passage, too. One box of Doan's Kidney Pills, which I got from the City Drug Co., cured me and it has been some time since my back has given me any annoyance."

OVER NINE YEARS LATER Mr. Zamora said: "I have had no kidney trouble in some time and I feel confident Doan's Kidney Pills have permanently cured me."

60c, at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgrs., Buffalo N. Y.

SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeld
Editor Phone 76

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Wednesday.

Red Cross Surgical Room will be in charge of Mrs. H. G. Earnest at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Parish Guild of Christ Church will meet at Red Cross Surgical Room in the afternoon to assist in the work.

The Auction Bridge Club will be entertained by Mrs. Robt. L. Muller at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Nopales Camp Fire Girls will meet with Mrs. J. A. Burnett in the afternoon.

The Christian Endeavor Training for Service Class will meet at the Christian church in the evening.

Dinner Dance at the Hotel Hamilton in the evening.

Thursday.

Red Cross Surgical Room will be in charge of Mrs. Horace Hamlin at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Heights Red Cross Knitting Circle will meet with Mrs. T. A. Bunn at 4 o'clock in the afternion.

The Woman's Club will have a program at the Army Y. M. C. A. in the evening.

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The Pipes in England.

If I had never heard,
If I might never hear the pipes again,
Then like a mated bird,
My heart would sing alike through sun and rain.

But now, north, south, east, west
Where'er the pipes, the eager winds bring to me
Their skirl of wild unrest,
And poignant and imperious memory.

Would that they might return
To yon north land of haunts remote and rude;
Of loch, and brae, and burn,
And mountain-sentinels of solitude.

And yet if they were gone
Forever from our English street and lane,
Should I not list'ning on
In silence find intolerable pain?
—C. Buckton, in Glasgow Herald.

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General Mention.

Miss Alice Denike has returned from a pleasant visit to Miss Josephine Dreiss in San Antonio.

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Mrs. W. T. Neblett returned on Monday from a week's stay in San Antonio.

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The many friends of Mr. Lee Vollmer will be glad to know that he is improving daily.

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James Irwin will return today from San Antonio, where he has been visiting his brother.

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In a recent letter, Mrs. Garrison states that it is so cold in Pennsylvania and there is so much snow that she would welcome a "Laredo dust storm."

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Mrs. D. F. Anderson has moved and is now staying with Mrs. H. D. Shelby.

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Mrs. Percy W. Booth of San Antonio is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Woodard.

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In a recent letter Lieut. G. E. Sielski writes that there are quite a few Laredo people in El Paso. Mrs. J. S. Seymour and John are pleasantly located at the Georgette apartments, where Lieut. and Mrs. Sielski will also be after the first.

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The public generally is cordially invited to attend a Thrift Stamp Party to be given Friday afternoon at 3:30, at the old Latin-American Club Rooms on Iturbide Street, under the auspices of the Woman's Club. An admission fee of fifty cents will be charged in return for which will be given a Thrift Card with one Thrift Stamp attached.

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Club Notes.

The Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church met yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Rectory. After the regular service at the church, the little folks pasted pictures in scrap books and made marble bags and needle bags. A short time was spent is play before adjourning. Those present were: Anna May Mussett, Marjorie Fish, Marian, Dorothy and Arthur Jackson, Mary and Ralph Cook, Dorothy Seamon, Hunter and Evelyn Randolph, Kathleen and Jack Aldridge, Barbara Biggio, Elizabeth, Charline and Eleanor Nye, Joe and John Robert Fasnacht, George, Horace and Bobby Kehl.

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Christian Aid Society.

The Aid Society of the Christian church met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. A. Millar. The afternoon was pleasantly passed in knitting and conversation. Those present were: Mesdames Hodges, Fulton, Smith, McClendon, Hamilton, Windrow, Scoville, B. Fox, A. F. Fox, Calhoun, Hornburg, Miss Celeste Hamilton and Rev. Owen Hornburg.

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Thrift Stamp Party.

The hostesses in charge of the various tables of cards and games for the Thrift Stamp Party Friday afternoon at the former Latin-American Club rooms are: Mrs. Young, Mrs. MacGregor, Mrs. Woodman, Mrs. Dwan, Mrs. O'Meara, Mrs. Daiches, Mrs. Buenz, Mrs. Morton, and Miss Westbrook. Reservations may be made by telephone, and those not interested in cards are asked to come and bring their knitting. Some good music has been arranged for, and the ladies in charge are making every effort to provide a delightful afternoon, at the same time keeping ever in mind the purpose for which this party is being given, that is, to increase the interest in War Savings Stamps. No tickets have been printed so guests are asked to have ready the amount charged for admission, and it is hoped that every one who possibly can come will do so, and will also interest others.

CASH-AND-CARRY SYSTEM.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 30.—Indianapolis housewives are soon to be confronted with the alternative of doing their own marketing or seeing their cupboards go bare. As a measure of wartime economy the cash-and-carry system is to be put into effect day after tomorrow by order of the local food administrator. The rules will apply to the entire field of foodstuffs distribution. The grocery and kindred trades have greeted the announcement with expressions of approval and the prediction is made that the innovation will help materially to reduce the cost living. Housewives are not so certain of this last-named point, but are hopeful that the prediction may prove correct. At any rate they are ready to give the new system a fair trial and to this end they are preparing to "go to market" and are ransacking cellars and attics in search of the old market baskets that were long since discarded.

PERSONALS

Roy Jennings is in the city from the ranch.

Sam J. Jordan of Encinal is a guest at the Hamilton.

Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Turpin of Santo Tomas are guests at the Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. I. J. C. Holland of San Antonio are registered at the Hamilton.

John Jackson, a prominent cattle man of San Antonio is in the city for a short visit.

Leonard Haynes came in yesterday from his ranch on account of the illness of his brother, James J. Haynes.

BENDER:—W. A. McTavish, F. L. Padilla, J. W. Derby, San Antonio; L. M. Manchester, St. Louis, Mo.; J. R. Tufts, Washington; G. C. Hargrove, J. F. Comon, W. G. Limartz, San Antonio; F. C. Cole and wife, Dallas; C. P. Allen, Mexico City; M. C. Rosenthal, Fort Worth; C. W. Hamilton, E. R. Kerr, A. K. Turnbull and wife, Mexico; J. S. Butler, Corpus Christi; E. H. Edwards, San Antonio; N. S. N. Von Phul, Tampico; G. G. Hume, Los Angeles, Cal.; P. L. McIntosh, R. R. De Vella, J. A. Hovel, W. E. Huffaker, San Antonio; C. C. Rowland, Houston.

HAMILTON:—John H. Livingston, W. E. Huffaker, Jerome Black and wife, A. V. Sanders, Mrs. A. B. Scott, San Antonio; J. R. Moore, Paris, France; Emilio Baldit and children, Nuevo Laredo, Mex.; H. E. Houston, London, Eng.; R. L. Morris and wife, Dr. and Mrs. Turpin, Santo Tomas; Claude Franklin, Ranger; Alfredo Garcia, Hebbronville; Sam J. Jordan, Encinal; R. J. Hobbs, M. H. Stevenson, San Antonio; H. T. Strong, Houston; E. Latimore, Quincy, Ill.; I. J. C. Holland and wife, San Antonio; A. E. Paulson, New York; F. C. Greasley, Philadelphia;.

SPORT CHATTER.

Manager Connie Lack says he will have about 20 pastimers in his party of Athletics at the Jacksonville training camp. Heretofore the Mackmen carried 30 to 40 men during the training trip.

This a busy season in contract signing for "Stuffy" McInnis. No sooner had the former Athletic first sacker signed up with the Red Sox than he announced his coming marriage to Miss Elsie Sherman Dow, of Manchester, Mass.

New York fans are planning to give Larry Doyle a small reception when he returns to the Polo Grounds next season. From the day he first played with the Giants down to the time he was traded to the Cubs, Doyle was a great favorite with Gotham bugs.

Boston fight fans were given a rude shock the other night when Bat Levinsky and Bill Drennan staged their phoney bout. But and Bill had boxed several crackerjack bouts in the Hub previous to their appearance in the "brother act," and both were considered gilt-edged performers.

The year 1913 showed the largest list of entries for the open golf championship in the history of the United States Golf association. That year 165 entries were received as against eleven in 1895, the first year the open meet was held.

UNITED STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN ENTER INTO AGREEMENT CONCERNING CONSCRIPTION

Citizens of Each Country to Have the Option of Returning to Their Own Country for Military Service Or Remaining for Service in the Country of Their Present Residence and Domicile.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 30.—An agreement between the United States and Great Britain and Canada on terms of separate conscription conventions was announced by Secretary Lansing in a letter to Chairman Dent of the house military committee today. The convention gave the citizens of each country the option of returning to their own country for military service within a fixed period, after which they would be subject to military duty under the laws and regulations of the country in which they reside. Each country will also be permitted to exempt nationals from military service if deemed necessary.

FLOODS IN CHINA.

Special to The Times.

Shanghai, Jan. 30.—The province of Chihli is flooded again by the heavy torrential rains of the past two weeks in western Chihli and the neighboring province of Shansi. Thousands of lives have been lost. Twenty thousand square miles are under water.

RUMANIANS TAKE LUTSTK.

Special to The Times.

Copenhagen, Jan. 30.—The town of Lutsk in southern Russia is reported taken by the Ukranians after a several days' battle. Most of the Bolsheviki garrison was either killed or captured. The Rumanians are moving northward to join the Ukranians.

FINLAND ENTERS PROTEST.

Special to The Times.

Stockholm, Jan. 30.—The government of the new republic of Finland today lodged a protest with the powers against the interference in Finnish affairs by the Bolsheviki government at Petrograd, said a despatch from Haparanda.

ITALIANS TAKE OFFENSIVE.

Special to The Times.

Berlin, Jan. 30.—A powerful counter offensive has been launched by the Italians and violent fighting between the Asiago plateau and the Brenta valley was reported by the German war office today. The Italians began their attacks after a heavy bombardment of the Austro-German positions.

RESUME NEGOTIATIONS.

Special to The Times.

Copenhagen, Jan. 30.—Count Czernin, the Austrian foreign minister, is expected to reach Brest-Litovsk today for a resumption of the peace negotiations with the Russian Bolsheviki envoys, according to information just received from the seat of the parleys. Eight different delegations of peace envoys are now at Brest Litovsk. They represent the Bolsheviki, Finland, two factions of Ukranians, Germany, and Austria-Hungary.

TEUTONS EXCHANGE FOOD.

Special to The Times.

Berlin, Jan. 3.—Negotiations have been completed between the German and the Austro-Hungarian food boards for exchange of foodstuffs of various sorts. The food question is causing a great deal of concern and the closest co-operation between the two countries is necessary. One clause of the agreement is to the effect that Germany is to ship at once 15,500 tons of flour to Austria which must be replaced in March.

LEATHER SHORTAGE HITS UNCLE SAM.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 30.—The leather mail bag which has been carried by Uncle Sam's letter carriers ever since the establishment of the free delivery service will soon become a thing of the past. The war is responsible for the passing of the leather bag, as it is responsible for many other changes that have come about in everyday life during the past year or so. So much leather is being used for military purposes now that it has become exceedingly scarce and is to be obtained only at a very high price. Under these conditions Uncle Sam has deemed it wise to practice the economy which he has been preaching throughout the land. Consequently is has been decided to do away with the leather bags used by the carriers and to replace them with strong canvas bags, which may not wear so long as those made of leather, but are much cheaper and answer their purpose equally as well.

Soon Over His Cold.

Everyone speaks well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy after having used it. Mrs. George Lewis, Pittsfield, N. Y., has this to say regarding it: "Last winter my little boy, five years old, was sick with a cold for two or three week. I doctored him and used various cough medicines but nothing did him much good until I begun using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He then improved rapidly and in a few days was over his cold."

To Adjust Disputes.

Washington, Jan. 30.—An agreement has been reached by the department of labor with the unions and operators in oil and gas fields in Texas and Louisiana for adjustment of disputes by arbitration during the war.

Senator Hughes Dead.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 30.—United States Senator William Hughes died at the hospital here this morning after several weeks' suffering from septic poisoning, followed by bronchial pneumonia.

Packers' Hold Up.

Washington, Jan. 30.—All the great packing houses were given $500,000 stock in the Cleveland stockyards last year after they threatened to establish a yard there, an attorney for the federal trade commission declared at the packers' hearing today.

Was Oversubscribed.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The issue of $400,000,000 certificates of indebtedness which closed last night was heavily oversubscribed, the treasury department announces.

COLD WAVE COMING.

The following warning has been issued by the United States Weather Bureau and received by The Times through the Southwestern Telephone and Telegraph Company: Cold wave tonight. Temperature will be from 14 to 20 degrees Thursday morning.

TWO AMERICANS ARE KILLED IN HOSPITAL

GERMAN AVIATORS DROPPED BOMBS ON RED CROSS HOSPITAL IN NORTHERN ITALY.

By Associated Press.

Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy, Jan. 30.—Two Americans attached to the Red Cross were killed at Mestres Sunday night by bombs of German raiders. The victims were William Platt and Richard Cutts of Fairfield.

Another Raid on England.

London, Jan. 30.—In last night's air raid bombs were dropped at various places in Kent and Essex. There were several aerial engagements. All the British machines returned safely. Bombs were dropped on the suburbs, but the raiders failed to penetrate the heart of London. About fifteen machines participated in last night's raid. Bombs were dropped on the southwestern and northern outlying districts of London. There were a few casualties in southwestern London. Weather conditions were as favorable as Monday night.

Three Were Killed.

London, Jan. 30.—Three persons were killed and ten others injured in last night's air raid. It is feared that six others were buried in the ruins of a house.

New Finnish Government.

Stockholm, Jan. 30.—Finnish revolutionists have formed a new government. Members of the Finnish senate were not molested. Helsingfors was calm Monday night and Russian soldiers were passive. Viborg was also reported quiet.

German Workmen Strike.

London, Jan. 30.—Reports received here indicate that the strike of German workmen began Monday in Berlin and other parts of the empire and is assuming a serious aspect. Germany ordered the arrest of leaders of the independent socialist party. Ninety thousand German workers quit work Monday in Berlin.

Tonnage for America.

With the American Army in France, Jan. 29.—The total tonnage of former German steamships ready for service on the high seas, most of which are now bringing men and materials to France, is approximately 500,000. Among those already arrived safely in allied ports is the former Vaterland and fifteen others of Germany's largest ships.

Italians Being Reinforced.

Vienna, Jan. 30.—Italians attacking on the northern front are being heavily reinforced, says the official statement. The Austrians have been forced to give up Monte di Val Bella and Col del Rosso.

Italians Retained Possession.

Berlin, Jan. 30.—The Italians retained possession of Col del Rosso and Monte di Val Bella on the mountain front after a renewal of their attacks with strong forces, it is officially announced.

British Took Prisoners.

London, Jan. 30.—A British patrol last night attacked a German post northeast of Havrincourt, taking a number of prisoners. Enemy artillery has been active about Arras and Ypres.

Austrian Warehouses Afire.

London, Jan. 30.—Grain warehouses at Vienna are afire and enormous damage has been caused, according to a Vienna despatch from Amsterdam. Revolutionaries are suspected of having started the fires.

FRENCH BOMBARD CONFLANS.

Special to The Times.

Paris, Jan. 30.—The railway center at Conflans was heavily bombarded by French airmen during the night, the war office announced this afternoon, in a report in aerial activity. Over 6,000 kilograms of explosives were thrown down. Conflans is on French soil, but lies behind the German lines. It is being used by the Germans as a base of supplies.

TO FORCE ABDICATION.

Special to The Times.

Amsterdam, Jan. 30.—It is reported on reliable authority from Berlin that there is an active movement on foot to compel the kaiser to abdicate in favor of the crown prince. This movement is understood to be fostered by Count Reventlow, the Tages Zeitung and the Pan-Germans generally. This would give the annexationists a free hand. The crown prince has contended all along that the kaiser has allowed the socialist press and spokesmen too much liberty. The Tages Zeitung has gone so far as to boldly charge the kaiser with selling the empire to the socialists.

FARMERS WEEK AT KENTUCKY COLLEGE.

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 30.—"Farmers Week" at the Agricultural College of Kentucky University, which is now under way, promises to be of more than usual interest, because of the extensive demonstration work that he is to be given by members of the faculty of the college and because of the aroused interest in farming and livestock breeding in general. The annual corn show is being held in connection with the meeting and in addition there is an alfalfa show, under the auspices of the Kentucky Alfalfa Growers' Association, an exhibit of dairy products and an exhibit of women's work.

INDUSERY ENOUGH.

"Is your new stenographer industrious?"

"I can't deny that she industrious, but she is too busy knitting to do anything around the office."—Louisville Courier-Jaurnal.

From Thursday's Daily.

THE DESPERATE FINISH.

There is every indication that the Teutons are nearing the end of their strength, and one of the strongest indications is the raids on London and other places by German airmen. Several persons have been killed in London during the past two or three days, which is not of the slightest military advantage to the Germans, and two American Red Cross workers, among others, were killed in an Italian hospital behind the lines, which is a confession of weakness on the part of the Germans.

The submarine campaign during the past few weeks has been active but futile, and the record of losses is gradually lessening. Already many German ships taken over when we entered the war have been used by our government for transmitting men and supplies to France, and all of them have arrived safely.

The weakness of the German effort is shown in attacks on London and on allied hospitals, for if the Germans were as strong as they claimed to be they would be able to attack the armed forces of the allies, not defenseless civilians and hospital staffs.

The strikes in Germany are alleged from credible sources to have begun Monday, and already Berlin and other centers are suffering an industrial walk-out. Even the dread of the German bayonets has not been sufficient to deter the German workingmen from deserting their posts, although they know that such an act is looked upon as a military crime.

The latest news from Germany indicates a lack of the prime necessities of food, although the German government is making a bluff of exchanging foodstuffs with Austria. It is reported that some 15,000 tons of flour are to be "lent" to Austria, but that they must be returned in March.

Of course, there is always the possibility that Austria will sign a separate peace with Russia and perhaps with some others of the allies, in which case she might secure enough flour to return what she "borrowed" from Germany. But the possibility is a remote one.

There is little reason to believe that Austria has any foodstuffs to spare for Germany, in view of the food riots in Vienna and other parts of the dual monarchy, and neither has Germany anything to waste.

Recent complaints made to the Reichstag concerning the food substitution declared that most of the substitutes were unfit for human food, and that the use of some of them had resulted in death, those who used any of them being emaciated and weakened physically.

Many mutinies have occurred, the people are generally dissatisfied with the conduct of the war and its duration, and the latest move on the part of the Junkers to force the kaiser to abdicate in favor of the crown prince indicates the desperate condition of the militarists.

There is much that is encouraging and little that is discouraging to Entente powers. Italy's come-back is decidedly encouraging, especially as at this time of the year the campaigning in the mountains is difficult and subject to interruption at any moment. The Austrians have received heavy reinforcements, yet they are unable to hold the ground they recently took, and the Italians are in a fair way to recover all the ground which they lost some weeks ago.

On the western front there is little change, but the entrance of a million Americans into the combat by the time that the spring rains are over indicates that the Germans will be hard pressed to retain their ground.

The desperate state of affairs is as apparent if not more so, to the Germans as to the Entente, and they are making superhuman efforts to gain all they can before the inevitable defeat occurs, so that they may be in better shape to resist the peace demands of the allies.

So far their most strenuous efforts have resulted only in defeat, and if they could not hold out during the progress of the winter which is so favorable to defense and so difficult for the offense, what will they do when the rains flood their trenches and dugouts?

Altogether the outlook is decidedly encouraging for a speedy conclusion of the war in favor of the allies.

OUR MERCHANT MARINE.

It looks as if the United States was once more to become a maritime nation, and that our great coastline, the greatest in the world of any single nation, would again be used by ships of American register.

So far we have met with but slight disaster, having lost 69 ships by submarines, with a total tonnage of 171,061. On the other hand, during this period we added to our merchant marine 107 German and Austrian vessels with a gross tonnage of 686,494, showing a net gain of 515,435 tons. Most of the American ships lost were sailing vessels of small tonnage.

In ten months of last year ships of 24,834,400 gross tonnage cleared from American ports in the foreign trade, with a slight percentage of loss. During this period our shipping board requisitioned 426 ships of more than two million tons then in shipyards, and requisitioned 393 American ships of more than 2,500 tons dead weight capacity each. Twenty-four steamers building on the great lakes were requisitioned and have since been brought to the Atlantic coast through the Welland canal. The German ships interned and damaged by their former crews a few days before war was declared have been repaired and used in our trade. Two of these were sunk—the Actecn, formerly the Adam Stamo, and the Owaco, formerly the Allemania. The Armenia was torpedoed, but was beached and saved.

This is our answer to the German declaration that we have no transports and were dependent upon Great Britain for transshipment of our supplies from our ports to France. And there is in all the above no mention of the hundreds of steamers now building, some of which will be ready for the transatlantic trade within a month or two, to be followed by others at intervals of a few weeks for more than a year to come.

At one time the American flag was better known in the far off ports of the world than any other. Our ships were the fastest and most seaworthy, our seamen were the most skillful, our shipmasters were the most daring and also the most successful, and only by a short-sighted policy was our merchant marine reduced to second-class, and then landed far down the column, while the newly formed German empire, the recently progressive Japanese and others whose abilities were far inferior to ours reaped the benefits of the trade we had sown.

The end of the present war will see us once more established as one of the great maritime nations, and if we have the slightest degree of common sense, we shall never again let other nations take from us our supremacy of the seas and our control of markets which are legitimately ours.

We have already gained markets in Central and South America which should have been ours years ago, but which were taken from us, not by superior trade methods, but because of our lack of ships in which to carry the goods.

Germany in less than forty years rose to be one of the great trading nations of the world, not because her goods were superior or even the equal of ours, but because the German government granted subsidies to aid in building up the steamer lines with which she aimed to dominate the world.

Great Britain retained the supremacy of the seas by the most strenuous efforts, and we sold our goods abroad by paying tolls to the English, German, French, Dutch and Japanese shipowners.

With the enormous increase in American vessels, we should again enter the lists in competition with our old trade rival, Great Britain, and should be able to wrest the supremacy from Germany, Japan, Holland or any other nation inferior in resources, wealth, commerce or manufacture.

We are second to no nation in manufactures. We should be second to none in commerce. We have lacked the ships, but now that we have them, we should be foolish indeed to return to our former policy of letting the other nations charge us for the privilege of doing business in foreign countries, while we are able to compete with any nation on earth in quality of goods and efficiency of handling.

Austrian revolutionists seem to be no more brainy than their brothers of Russia. They set fire to the grain warehouses because they had no bread. An American mob would have brought carts and taken the contents before starting the fire.

BARN DESTROYED BY FIRE AND HEAVY LOSS ENTAILED

Fire on Premises of Hill Home on the Heights This Morning Caused Loss of More Than $2,000.

Presumably due to the negligence of an inveterate cigarette fiend throwing a live "butt" into a stack of hay while sitting about puffing on his supply of cigarettes, the two-story barn on the premises of the W. T. Hill home on the Heights was destroyed by fire this forenoon, entailing a loss of more than $2,000 with no insurance.

An old Mexican man employed on the Hill place had arrived there early and was sitting on the sunny side of the barn sucking away at some cigarettes and it is believed he threw one near some hay, igniting it and causing a conflagration. The barn was divided into six rooms downstairs, including garage, and a large room on the upper floor. Six saddles, some harness, considerable feedstuff, etc., were destroyed with the building, in fact the only things saved were the automobile and a wagon. The nearby corral was slightly damaged, but the Hill home, removed about 100 feet from the blaze, was not damaged. The firemen responded to the alarm and did what they could to quench the flames, which were fanned by a strong norther.

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Joints that ache, muscles that are drawn or contracted should be treated with BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It penetrates to the spot where it is needed and relieves suffering. Price 25c, 50c and $1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists. x

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Slip a few Prince Albert smokes into your system!

You've heard many an earful about the Prince Albert patented process that *cuts out* bite and parch and lets you smoke your fill without a comeback! Stake your bank roll that it proves out every hour of the day. Prince Albert has always been sold without coupons or premiums. We prefer to give quality!

There's sport smoking a pipe or rolling your own, but *you know* that you've got to have the right tobacco! We tell you Prince Albert will bang the doors wide open for you to come in on a good time firing up every little so often, *without a regret!* You'll feel like your smoke past has been wasted and will be sorry you cannot back up for a fresh start.

PRINCE ALBERT
the national joy smoke

You swing on this say-so like it was a tip to a thousand-dollar bill! It's worth that in happiness and contentment to you, to every man who knows what *can* be gotten out of a chummy jimmy pipe or a makin's cigarette with Prince Albert for "packing"!



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This is the reverse side of the tidy red tin

THE Prince Albert tidy red tin, and in fact, every Prince Albert package, has a real message to you on its reverse side. You'll read:—"Process Patented July 30th, 1907." That means that the United States Government has granted a patent on the process by which Prince Albert is made. *And by which tongue bite and throat parch are cut out!* Everywhere tobacco is sold you'll find Prince Albert awaiting you in toppy red bags, 5c; tidy red tins, 10c; handsome pound and half-pound tin humidors and in that clever crystal-glass humidor, with sponge-moistener top, that keeps the tobacco in such fine condition—always!

THE SONG OF THE SHIRK.

Tell me, ye winged winds,
That round my Pathway roar:
Is there not some resting place,
Where Mortals work no more?

To me, ye pipe and call,
Ye busy Marts of Trade
To draw me from this easy run:
But I am undismayed!

For me, ye open doors
Of Honor, Wealth and Fame;
But I forsooth must all decline,
And seek a Life more tame.

For me, this great World calls
To help subdue the Wrong;
But, Oh, how hard to "hit the trail,"
So I'll just jog along!

For me a clarion calls,
To help this World grow pure;
And usher in a Reign of Peace,
And Love that will endure.

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To me, the Still, Small Voice
Has spoken once again;
So must it be that I SHALL rise,
Or find 'It might have been?'

MRS. PAUL W. EVANS.
Laredo, Texas.

Notice to Tax-payers.

Your attention is called to the fact that you must pay your state and county taxes on or before January 31st if you want to avoid the penalty fixed by law. My office in the county court house is open from 9 a. m. to 12 m. and from 2 to 5 p. m.

H. LIGARDE,
County Tax Collector.
1-10-20t.

NOTABLE BIRTHDAY TODAY.

JANUARY 31.

Major Willard D. Straight, U. S. A. Reserve Corps, who was recently selected to go to France and supervise the work of the overseas branch of the war insurance risk bureau, was born at Oswego, N. Y., 38 years ago today. Mr. Straight is regarded as especially well suited to the task assigned him, owing to his ability as a banker and financier. For he is none other than the former representative in China of the American group of bankers who attempted to secure for the United States a share in the loans that were to be placed by the European and Amercan financiers, a scheme that President Wilson blocked soon after he became President. Mr. Straight began his career in the Far East as a worker in the Chinese Maritime Customs Service in the days of the now deposed dynasty. For a year he was a press correspondent in Korea, Manchuria and Japan. Later he was attached to the legations of the United States at Seoul and Mukden, and on returning to the United States served in the State Department as acting chief of the division of foreign affairs.

Stomach Troubles.

If you have trouble with your stomach you should try Chamberlain's Tablets. So many have been restored to health by the use of these tablets and their cost is so little, 25 cents, that it is worth while to give them a trial.

STOMACH TROUBLE

Mr. Marion Holcomb, of Nancy, Ky., says: "For quite a long while I suffered with stomach trouble. I would have pains and a heavy feeling after my meals, a most disagreeable taste in my mouth. If I ate anything with butter, oil or grease, I would spit it up. I began to have regular sick headache. I had used pills and tablets, but after a course of these, I would be constipated. It just seemed to tear my stomach all up. I found they were no good at all for my trouble. I heard

THEDFORD'S
BLACK-DRAUGHT

recommended very highly, so began to use it. It cured me. I keep it in the house all the time. It is the best liver medicine made. I do not have sick headache or stomach trouble any more." Black-Draught acts on the jaded liver and helps it to do its important work of throwing out waste materials and poisons from the system. This medicine should be in every household for use in time of need. Get a package today. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c a package. All druggists.

ONE CENT A DOSE

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

JANUARY 31.

1606—Guy Fawkes was executed for his part in the plot to blow up the English houses of parliament.
1752—Gouverneur Morris, a conspicuous figure in the early history of the American republic, born at Morrisania, N. Y. Died there, Nov. 6, 1816.
1849—Zachary Taylor resigned from the army.
1864—Hamilton R. Gamble, governor of Missouri during the civil war, died at St. Louis. Born at Winchester, Va., Nov. 29, 1798.
1865—United States house of representatives passed the Thirteenth Amendment, carrying out the emancipation proclamation.
1880—British training ship Atlanta with 280 on board sailed from Bermuda and was never heard from again.
1883—Rev. Cornelius O'Brien was consecrated R. C. archbishop of Halifax.
1893—Mr. Gladstone took the oath as British prime minister.
THE WAR:—
1915—German forces abandoned the ling fight for La Bassee Canal.
1916—Sixty-seven reported killed in a Zeppelin raid over the northeastern counties of England.
1917—Germany announced indiscriminate U-boat warfare on neutrals.

The liver loses its activity at times and needs help. HERBINE is an effective liver stimulant. It also purifies the bowels, strengthens digestion and restores strength, vigor and cheerful spirits. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists. x

INVESTIGATING FISHERIES.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 31.—The commissions appointed to consider and to satisfactorily adjudicate if possible certain long-standing fisheries disputes between the United States and Canada today transferred their sessions from Washington to this city. A series of public hearings has been arranged to deal with questions relating to the North Atlantic fisheries. From Boston the commissions will go to Gloucester, Mass., and then to some place in Canada.



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Mexican Preparation
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LITTLE LOCALS

—While a cool northwest wind struck Laredo during the night, the predicted severe cold spell forecasted by the weather bureau to prevail in this section this morning must have been switched off its course and gone elsewhere, for only cool weather was in evidence here today. However, winter is not yet over and there is lots of time left for some real cold weather.

—When wanting milk phone 356. 1-22-tf.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-tf.

—St. Valentine's Day is near at hand again. Perhaps, judging from weather conditions the present winter, Laredo will be wrapped in snow again on that date just like it was 22 years ago. Generally on or about the 14th of February severe cold weather prevails, and that is also generally the last real cold snap of the winter season.

—City Garage, tel. 515. Jitney cars. Vulcanizing. Work guaranteed. 8-11-tf.

—Texas Real Estate & Abstract Co. 1012 Farragut street. Phone 1061. Abstracts of property in Laredo and lands of Webb county. 7-19-tf.

—Deputy Sheriff M. G. Benavides and County Clerk Rodriguez, who have been on the sick list, are both getting along finely and hope soon to be able to resume their respective duties at the courthouse.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-tf.

—Reports from the bedside of Mr. J. J. Haynes today state that his condition is quite serious. He passed the pneumonia crisis today, but other complications have set in.

—The Bellmont. Rooms and apartments. 602 Main Ave. Phone 576 or 1017. 6-20-tf.

—The many frienls of Mr. Matias de Liano will be sorry to know that he has been quite sick with la grippe for the past few days and though he is now much better he is still confined to his bed.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-t.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-9-tf.

—Amador Aguilar, arrested here several days ago while trying to skip to Mexico to evade the selective draft law, was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Foster this morning and later bound over to the federal grand jury in the sum of $1,000, which he failed to provide and was remanded to the county jail.

ARMY OFFICER TO RETIRE.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—After more than 42 years of service, Col. Frank N. Jones, Seventh U. S. Infantry, will be placed on the retired list of the army tomorrow on account of age. Col. Jones is a native of Mississippi and a graduate of West Point in the class of '79. Recently he has been stationed at Camp Greene, North Carolina.

A good remedy for a bad cough is BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP. It heals the lungs and quiets irritation. Price 25c, 50c and $1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists. x

SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE.

Pursuant to an order issued by Hon. W. P. Hobby, Governor of Texas, notice is hereby given that a Special Election will be held on Friday the 15th day of February, A. D. 1918, at the various election precincts in Webb County, Texas, for the following purpose, viz: The election of one Representative to the State Legislature from the 79th District, to fill the unexpired term of Walter F. Woodull, resigned:

In Election Precinct No. 1, No. 311 Iturbide Street, Laredo.
In Election Precinct No. 2, No. 901 Hidalgo Street, Laredo.
In Election Precinct No. 3, No. 1114 Lincoln Street, Laredo.
In Election Precinct No. 4, No. 1620 Lincoln Street, Laredo.
In Election Precinct No. 5, House of the late Dennis O'Brien.
In Election Precinct No. 6, House of Cannel Coal Co., Dolores.
In Election Precinct No. 7, House of Santo Tomas Coal Co., Minera.
In Election Precinct No. 8, House of J. A. Rodriguez, Rod. Ranch.
In Election Precinct No. 9, House of Martin Estate, Martin Ranch.
In Election Precinct No. 10, House of A. M. Bruni, Bruni.
In Election Precinct No. 11, House of Amador Garcia, Aguilares.
In Election Precinct No. 12, House of J. Armengol, Armengol Farm.

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Co. Judge, Webb Co., Texas.
1-31-15t.

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BY DIABOLICAL TRICKERY SPANIARD GETS EXPELLED

HE WANTED HIS MONEY ON DEBT AND DEBTOR WOULDN'T PAY

So the Debtor Planned to Get Him in Bad With Government and By Intrigue Succeeded in His Plan.

Jose Camara, aged 26 years and a native of Burgos, Spain, but who for the past thirteen years or half his lifetime has been making his home in Mexico, arrived in Laredo yesterday, having been put across the boundary line by Carranza soldiers following his being expelled from Mexico by having Article 33 relating to pernicious foreigners applied to him as a means of revenge by a government official who tricked him in order to evade the payment of a just debt contracted with Camara.

Camara spent three years in Mexico City, and from there ten years ago he removed to Toluca, where he engaged in the saloon business and had paid the statutory saloon tax ever since. Some months ago an official of Toluca purchased booze and accessories to the sum of $300 Mexican gold and when payment was requested sime time later the official refused to settle the account. A complaint was made to the federal government at the capital and they in turn demanded that the official pay Camara the amount due him. In a snarling manner the aforesaid official called on Camara and paid him $100 Mexican gold on account, but he resented the matter of having been "turned in" and stated he would get revenge. The remaining $200 of the account was never paid.

A short time ago Camara had occasion to place an order for a large qautity of matches with a firm in Mexico City and the aggrieved Toluca official learned that the order had been placed. So he accordingly contrived to wreak his vengeance on Camara and planned to have the factory deliver the 25 grosses of matches with a picture of Felix Diaz on the small boxes. This was done and as soon as the matches arrived at Toluca, and before Camara had an opportunity to inspect the shipment, he received an order for one gross of the lighting material, and he simply delivered a large box of them, as each box contained a gross. No sooner were these matches delivered than he was arrested charged with being a propagandist of Felix Diaz, who is an enemy of the Carranza government. Camara was taken to Mexico City, incarcerated incomunicado for fourteen days and then put on a train under guard, brought to Nuevo Laredo, taken to the boundary monument and deported to the United States, which seems to have become the dumping grounds of all persons whom the Carranza government classify as undesirable in that country.

Camara has had his business in Toluca confiscated, he says, and pending information concerning his property, will remain in Laredo.

CITY TREASURER'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I am ready to pay all outstanding warrants of the City of Laredo for the year 1917. Interest to cease January 31, 1918.

J. A. ORTIZ,
City Treasurer.
Laredo, Texas, Jan. 31, 1918.
1-31-6t.

DEATH OF MRS. CHAS. COOK, FORMERLY MISS LULA RIVERA

Lady Well Known in This Section of the State and a Native of Corpus Christi, Dies in Tennessee.

A telegram received here this morning by R. K. Mims from Marshall Hicks at San Antonio announces that Mrs. Charles Cook died suddenly in Clarksville, Tenn., yesterday morning and that Mrs. Hicks had gone there to attend the funeral of her sister-in-law.

Mrs. Cook, whose maiden name was Miss Lula Rivera, was born and reared in Corpus Christi, where the family was one of the most prominent and where she was one of the most popular and beautiful young ladies. Last year deceased visited in Laredo as the guest of her girlhood friend, Mrs. Royle K. Mims. She was well known in this city and had many friends and acquaintances who will be shocked to hear of her sudden death, the cause of which was not stated in the telegram received here by Mr. Mims.

Stop Itching Eczema

Never mind how often you have tried and failed, you can stop burning, itching eczema quickly by applying a little zemo furnished by any druggist for 35c. Extra large bottle, $1.00. Healing begins the moment zemo is applied. In a short time usually every trace of eczema, tetter, pimples, rash, blackheads and similar skin diseases will be removed.

For clearing the skin and making it vigorously healthy, always use zemo, the penetrating, antiseptic liquid. It is not a greasy salve and it does not stain. When others fail it is the one dependable treatment for skin troubles of all kinds.
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From Friday's Daily.

ASTONISHED AT THE RESULTS SHE SAYS

GAINED SIXTEEN AND A HALF POUNDS ON TANLAC AND TROUBLES ARE GONE.

"When I bought my first bottle of Tanlac I felt like it was that much money thrown away, so my wonderful recovery has astonished me," said Mrs. P. A. Johnson, who resides at 202 Third Street, El Paso, Texas, a few days ago.

"For eight years," she continued, "I have been physically broken down and have suffered tortures with rheumatism, indigestion and nervousness. My whole body seemed to be affected with rheumatism and my joints were swollen and pained me so I was almost helpless. My legs hurt me so bad I couldn't bear my weight on them and I had to use crutches and be helped about. Nothing I would eat agreed with me and my stomach was in such an awful shape that I couldn't stand anything tight around me. For months at a time I lived on liquid diet and even this at times caused me trouble. The gas on my stomach affected my heart so sometimes I felt like every breath would be my last and my nerves were simply shattered to pieces. I also suffered terribly from constipation and headaches and never knew what it was to sleep more than two hours any night.

"Honestly, I have spent three-fourths of my time during the past two years flat of my back in bed and have taken medicine until my house looks like a drug store. I have spent many a dollar with little or no results. I was told my trouble was caused by appendicitis and when I was operated on and still suffered just as bad as ever, I became discouraged and felt that I would never get well. I could just feel myself going from bad to worse every day. A friend of mine urged me to try Tanlac and I am now on my third bottle, have gained sixteen pounds and a half and am already feeling like a new woman. It's a positive fact, these three bottles of Tanlac have done me more good than other treatment and medicines that have cost me hundreds of dollars. The pain and swelling caused by the rheumatism has entirely left me, I eat just any and everything I want without it hurting me asd sleep every night like a child. My nerves are steady as a clock and I really haven't felt so well in eight years and my friends are all talking about my wonderful improvement."

Tanlac is sold in Laredo by Windrow Drug Co. (Adv.)

DECREASE IN THE POLL TAX PAYMENTS IN COUNTY-CITY

BOTH PLACES "FELL DOWN" IN NUMBER RECEIPTS ISSUED.

Decrease in Number Receipts Issued Accredited to Large Number Qualified Voters Responding to "Call."

The time limitation for the payment of poll taxes in both the city and county expired at midnight last night, and in order to accommodate belated applicants both the collectors, city and county, kept their offices open until the last moment. There was no rush apparent during the final hours, as the inclement weather prevailing last night was more inviting inside the homes than for one to go wandering to the offices of the tax collectors.

With all the agitation that has prevailed for the purpose of inducing eligible parties to take out the requisite poll taxes to enable them to vote at any elections to be held this year, there is a decrease in the payment of poll taxes compared with the issuance of receipts for the year 1916, which was also a year in which big elections were held. At the close of the business of issuing poll taxes for the city on January 31, 1916, at the office of City Tax Collector de Lachica, the total payments aggregated 1,132, while the records of the payments for 1917 issued up to midnight last night show a total of 1,034, which is a decrease of 98 votes compared with 1916. Of the city poll tax payments 151 were property tax-payers, while 883 were special poll taxes.

The records of County Tax Collector Ligarde of poll tax payments for the county and state made to him in 1915-16, or up to midnight of January 31, 1916, show a total of 1,670, but the total payments made up to last night at midnight show a big decrease, as the total payments reported from that office today can not yet be ascertained, but there is a decrease compared with 1916.

The decreases in both instances may be accounted for by the fact that quite a number of young men who have heretofore been paying their poll taxes in order to be enabled to cast their ballot at the polls in any elections that might occur have nobly responded to the call of their country and are now either training at one of the big cantonments somewhere in this country, or are encamped in a more grim camp "somewhere" in the battle-ridden country "over there."

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LITTLE LOCALS

—Last night somebody entered the yard of Bernardino Diaz at 1115 Washington street and stole therefrom a mare belonging to J. A. Rodriguez. The loss was reported to the officers this morning, but so far no trace of the missing animal has been found.

—When wanting milk phone 356. 1-22-tf.

—The following marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since last report: Jose G. Navarro and Mrs. Julia Alexander.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-tf.

—Up to noon today the exact number of poll taxes paid to the county tax collector could not be ascertained, as many applications for receipts from outside places in the county had come by mail yesterday and this batch of correspondence had not yet been reached in the work of the clerks.

—City Garage, tel. 515. Jitney cars. Vulcanizing. Work guaranteed. 8-11-tf.

—The death of James J. Haynes came as a thunderbolt from a clear sky to his many friends, as this estimable gentleman up to nine days ago was in his usual robust health and at his place of business. But death is an uncertain visitor and he may intrude at any moment to leave sorrow in his path. Today is life; tomorrow may be death.

—Texas Real Estate & Abstract Co. 1012 Farragut street. Phone 1061. Abstracts of property in Laredo and lands of Webb county. 7-19-tf.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-tf.

—A civil service examination for stenographer and typewriter in the field service will be held in this city February 25. The entrance salary is $1,000 per year, but after completion of a six-months probational period the salary will be increased to $1,200 per year. Applicants should apply to secretary of the Tenth Civil Service District for blanks and information at once.

—The Bellmont. Rooms and apartments. 602 Main Ave. Phone 576 or 1017. 6-20-tf.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-t.

—Mr. Clarence Jefferies will speak tonight on the subpect of "Enlistment of Mechanics for Shipbuilding."

—The importations through this port from Mexico this morning consisted of two carloads of cotton seed cake, eleven carloads of ixtle, one carload of henequen, one carload of salt peter, three carloads of copper, one carload of rubber, two carloads of hides, one carload of goatskins, one carload of antimony and fourteen carloads of calamine.

LARGE NUMBER ASSEMBLED SEEKING EXPORT LICENSE

People Crowd About Counter at Customshouse and There is Little Help on Hand to Wait on Them.

That the Laredo customshouse force is badly in need of more clerical assistance to handle the large volume of business created by the demand for federal licenses, is every day demonstrated here by the large number of persons who appear at the customshouse to secure permits to cross small quantities of food to the Mexican side of the boundary line.

This morning when The Times reporter visited the customshouse quarters on his regular rounds he found the space in front of the cocnter, and between there and the wall veritably jammed with people awaiting their turn to be given attention by the three or four clerks on hand. That the war board should expedite the matter of placing a branch office of the exports license board here is demonstrated by the rush of business experienced here.

COLD WEATHER PREVAILS; PREDICT FREEZE TONIGHT

Cold Snap Today Was Accompanied by Misting Rain, But Very Little Moisture Fell in This Section.

Another cold spell got a grip on this section last night, when the thermometer took another tumble, and from a maximum of 62 degrees yesterday forenoon, it tumbled twenty-six degrees during the afternoon and last night and this morning it registered 36 degrees, or four points above freezing. The cold snap was accompanied by a misting rain this morning, and this contributed to making the weather real chilly, as this kind of cold is penetrating and makes outdoor life anything but pleasant.

The weather forecast today calls for cloudy and freezing weather for tonight and tomorrow, followed by rising temperature, and from indications at this writing all expectations of the weather prognosticator will be realized. This has so far been the most severe winter and most prolonged cold spell ever experienced in this section, but February is yet to have its turn at the meterological conditions and there is very apt to be some severe cold experienced before the treacherous month of the year gives way to spring-like weather.

SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeld
Editor . . . Phone 78

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Friday.

Boy Scout Troop No. 2 will hold their regular meeting in the evening.

The Maira Club will entertain with a box party at the Strand in the evening.

Saturday.

The Red Cross Knitting Circle will meet with Mrs. W. W. MacGregor in the afternoon.

Ladies' Night at the 37th Infantry Club.

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Somebody said that it couldn't be done,
But he with a chuckle replied
That "maybe it couldn't," but he would be one
Who wouldn't say so till he tried.
So he buckled right in with the trace of a grin
On his face. If he worried, he hid it;
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That "couldn't be done"—and he did it.

There are thousands to tell you it can not be done,
There are thousands to mock and to rail you;
There are thousands to point out to you one by one
The dangers that lurk to assail you.
But just buckle in with a bit of a grin,
Then take off your coat and go to it;
Just start in to sing as you tackle the thing
That "can not be done"—and you'll do it.

—Tit-Bits.

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General Mention.

Rev. and Mrs. Owen Hornburg, who have been staying with Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Millar for the past week, expect to move into the Netzer building today.

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Mrs. Hal W. Greer and little grandsons will leave today for a two weeks' stay in Beaumont.

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The many friends of Mrs. S. W. DeWolf will be glad to know that she returned home this morning from Columbus, Ga., and reports her mother is very much improved in health.

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Santiago Sanchez returned home yesterday, having been honorably discharged from the Army. Mr. Sanchez was stationed at Camp Bowie.

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Mrs. Will T. Hill arrived this morning from San Antonio to spend today and tomorrow.

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Mrs. J. J. Gravey left today for her home in Holywood, California, after a pleasant visit to her mother, Mrs. M. Capra.

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Announcements.

There will be a meeting of the Red Cross instructors on Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. G. Earnest, chairman, at 3:30 o'clock.

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Mrs. R. C. MacDnoald will give a benefit recital for the reading room of the Woman's Club on February 8th.

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The Woman's Club has postponed the Thrift Stamp party until Saturday afternoon at the same hour and place.

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The weekly dance of the Latin-American Club which was scheduled for tonight has been called off on account of the death of James J. Haynes.

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Red Cross Notes.

The Heights Red Cross Knitting Circle met with Mrs. T. A. Bunn yesterday afternoon and the time was devoted to knitting. A number of finished articles were turned in. Those present were Mesdames Matson, Fulton, Mathews, Rodgers, Craven and Bunn.

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The Red Cross Surgical Rooms presented a busy scene yesterday afternoon, when a goodly number of the members attended the meeting. Among the work done 200 gauze wipes and 14 dozen muslin bandages were made. A box containing 975 splint strips with buckles, valued at $33, was packed and shipped. The contents were made entirely by Mrs. Hudges and Mrs. Jefferies. Those present yesterday were: Mesdames Hamlin, Butler, Jennings, Applewhite, Withoff, Nelson, Trout, Earnest, Cluck, Gill and Miss Marguerite Nelson.

INSTRUCTION IN VIRGINIA.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 1.—Westmoreland Davis, who was elected governor of Virginia last November, and the others chosen to the several State offices at that time were inaugurated today with the ceremonies which custom has prescribed for the occasion. The event served to attract to the capital a large number of visitors from all over the State.

PERSONALS

Jesus Trejo of New Orleas is in the city.

Hon. Marshall Hicks of San Antonio arrived in the city this morning and is stopping at the Hamilton.

Julge Geo. R. Page left yesterday for San Antonio for medical attention and expects to return home in a few days. He was accomvanied on the trip by Valentin L. Puig.

HAMILTON:—Elisa R. de Rivero, A. Garcia, Monterey; J. S. Moore, Laredo; Miss Dolly Churchill, Minera; E. S. Dennis Jr., J. E. Nieto, San Antonio; Geo. Bawden, Detroit, Mich.; R. P. Price, E. F. Gossett, Mrs. E. F. Gossett, Houston; C. A. Geabiel, El Paso; G. T. Treviño, B. E. Berg, Marshall Hicks, San Antonio.

BENDER:—W. M. Bowes, San Antonio; James Diamond, Holyoke, Mass.; M. K. Collie, Houston; A. L. Chavez, Claude G. Mathews, E. F. Boyle, San Antonio; M. Argueso, New York; Leon M. Moore, San Francisco, Cal.; R. C. Sareno, New York; H. F. Nash, Butte, Mont.; A. H. Moulton, Dallas; L. L. Burney, Waco; J. A. Appiely, R. E. Jones, G. P. Barthloman, Herbert S. Green, San Antonio; S. A. Brown, New York; L. B. S. Bandalo, Mexico City; Chas. F. Moore, Rochester, N. Y.; W. D. Young, H. D. McGwier, San Antonio; F. A. Delle, Houston; F. Martin, G. D. Pelcher, W. B. Thompson, San Antonio; Dr. M. A. Glentzer, Carrizo Springs.

EDMUNDS REACHES 90th MILESTONE.

Pasadena, Cal., Feb. 1.—George F. Edmunds, former United States senator from Vermont and during his active career considered one of the ablest man in national politics, quietly celebrated his 90 birthday anniversary today at his home in this city. Mr. Edmunds sat in the United States senate for a quarter of a century. On all issue involving the judiciary and kindred subjects he was an undisputed authority. It was he who initiated and carried through the Edmunds act prohibiting polygamy. In the Republican national conventions of 1880 and 1884 he received votes for the presidential nomination from delegates represnt the anti-machine and liberal points of view. Since his retirement from public life some twenty years ago he has made his home in Pasadena.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

FEBRUARY 1.

1775—Provincial congress of Massachusetts, consisting of upwards of 300 members, met at Cambridge.

1820—First Odd Fellows' lodge in America, Washington Lodge No. 1, of Baltimore, received a charter from the Duke of York's Lodge at Preston, England.

1838—John Ericson received his first patent for the screw propeller.

1854—The parliament house at Quebec was destroyed by fire.

1860—Pennington, of New Jersey, was elected Speaker of the house of representatives, after balloting nearly two months.

1865—The main body of Sherman's army began the march northward from Savannah.

1890—Maor Banitza and six others arrested on charges of plotting against the Prince and Government of Bulgaria.

1892—Supreme Court of the United States decided the Nebraska gubernatorial contest in favor of James E. Boyd.

1899—The United States flag was raised at Guam.

1904—William H. Taft succeeded Elihu Root as Secretary of War.

THE WAR:—

1915—German submarine sank five British merchant ships in North Sea.

1916—Allies seized Kum Kale, fort guarding entrance to Salonica harbor.

1917—Germany notified neutral nations she had established U-boat blockade of Great Britain.

When You Have a Cold.

It is when you have a severe cold that you appreciate the good qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mrs. Frank Crocker, Pana, Ill., writes: "Our five-year-old son Paul caught a severe cold last winter that settled on his lungs and he had terrible coughing spells. We were greatly worried about him as the medicine we gave him did not help him in the least. A neighbor spoke so highly of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy that I got a bottle of it. The first dose benefited him so much that I continued giving it to him until he was cured." *

CITY TREASURER'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I am ready to pay all outstanding warrants of the City of Laredo for the year 1917. Interest to cease January 31, 1918.

J. A. ORTIZ,
City Treasurer.

Laredo, Texas, Jan. 31, 1918.

1-31-6t.

WILSON TOLD SENATORS HE STILL OPPOSES CREATION OF WAR CABINET OVER HIS HEAD

Senators of Both Parties in Conference with President were Informed that His Opposition was Founded on the Belief that War Cabinet and Direction of Munitions would Hamper His Work.

LIVESTOCK INCREASE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Livestock in the United States January 1 was valued at $8,263,524,000, the department of agriculture announced today. This is an increase of $1,527,912,000.

MET DEATH WITH SONG.

Special to The Times.

London, Feb. 1.—British troops on a sinking ship met death with a song, though 916 lives were lost when a transport, destroyer and merchant ship were sunk.

BRAZILIAN FLEET TO AID.

Special to The Times.

Rio Janeiro, Feb. 1.—The Brazilian fleet is to aid the allies in Europen waters and also assumes the responsibility of patrolling its entire coast line.

ANARCHY SWEEPS FINLAND.

Special to The Times.

London, Feb. 1.—Anarchy and revolt swept all Finland. The white guard of the government, however, is said to be gaining ground. Reports are in conflict. The Swedish king has returned to the capital and is planning to send warships.

MEXICANS BEGIN PROBE.

Special to The Times.

Mexico City, Feb. 1.—Mexico will probe the source of the German propaganda there. A committee has been ordered to investigate the charges againt Von Eckhardt.

WAR TO END IN 1918.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Feb. 1.—President Wilson believes the war will end in 1918. The great crisis of the struggle is at hand, and the president tells the farmers we must win, therefore we shall win fighting, for the liberty and self-government of the United States depends on victory. He makes an appeal for aid in the effort made to conserve labor on the farms in order to meet our needs.

AMERICANS BEHIND PERSHING.

Special to The Times.

New York, Feb. 1.—Major Frederick Palmer, the noted war correspondent, the new head of the intelligence section of General Pershing's staff, read a statement last night before the National Unity League. The statement was permitted by Secretary Baker. Major Palmer said the allies are winning. He said: "Preparation is making in France to care for 100 divisions—more than 2,000,000 men—additional. When the United States entered this war it was realized that we were not a military people. Kitchener's problems were light compared with those of Secretary Baker. The magnitude of the initial plans providing for a million men and capable of expansion to two million staggered me at first. They proved that we are not going to war in a small way. There is nothing so American as our army in Frace. None need fear that our soldiers will be unworthy of the American army, both as to courage and skill." Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, told Major Palmer to take back the message that America's men and women are 100 per cent behind Pershing.

Notice to Aliens.

During the week commencing February 9 all alien enemies must appear at my office to register. This includes all natives, citizens, denizens or subjects of Germany and Austria, males of 14 years of age and upwards, who shall be within the United States and who are not actually naturalized American citizens.

M. BRENNAN,
City Marshal.

2-1-8t

About Constipation.

Certain articles of diet tend to check movements of the bowels. The most common of these are cheese, tea and boiled milk. On the other hand raw fruits, especially apples and bananas, also graham bread and whole wheat bread promote a movement of the bowoels. When the bowels are badly constipated, however, the sure way is to take one or two of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper. *

ARMY NEEDS NURSES.

Special to The Times.

San Antonio, Feb. 1.—The army needs nurses worst of all, medical officers say. The number of trained nurses is already rapidly dwindling. The woman's service corps is housed, fed and well paid, and its work is indispensable.

TROTZKY STILL FIRM.

Special to The Times.

Perograd, Feb. 1.—Russia faces new struggle and revolt. War with Rumania and revolution in Filand furnish new perils. Trotzky seems to be firm and declares he will stand out for a democratic peace with the Germans.

PORTO RICO TRAINING CAMP.

San Juan, P. R., Feb. 1.—Several hundred young Porto Ricans, imbued with an enthusiastic desire to serve as officers in the great army that Uncle Sam is sending against the Huns, reported here today for the opening of the second officers' training camp for Porto Rico. Included among the applicants were many of those whose numbers have been called in the draft and who have been been passed by the local board as being fit for military service. The camp is to be under the direction of Lieutenant Colonel Townshend, with a nuber of other seasoned officers as instructors.

HARD ON MR. SLOW-PAY.

Upton, Mass., Feb. 1.—Probably the only place in the entire country where the whole retail trade has been put on a strict basis of credit limited to one week is the town of Upton, which put the system into effect today as a result of an agreement signed by every retail merchant of the town. The action of the storekeepers is taken, they say, because the unlimited charge account is forcing many of them into financial straits. In addition, the Garfield closing orer of the town's only large factory worked severe hardship on the stores.

DANGERS OF A COLD.

Laredo People Will Do Well to Heed Them.

Many bad cases of kidney trouble result from a cold or chill. Congested kidneys fall behind in filtering the poison-laden blood and backache, headache, dizziness and disordered kidney action follow. Don't neglect a cold. Use Doan's Kidney Pills at the first sign of kidney trouble. Follow this Laredo resident's example:

Carmen Zamora, 1408 Iturbide St., says: "Whenver I caught cold or did a little extra work the pain in my back got so bad I couldn't stoop over to save my life. The kidney secretions were scanty and painful in passage, too. One box of Doan's Kidney Pills, which I got from the City Drug Co., cured me and it has been some time since my back has given me any annoyance."

OVER NINE YEARS LATER Mr. Zamora said: "I have had no kidney trouble in some time and I feel confident Doan's Kidney Pills have permanently cured me."

60c, at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgrs., Buffalo N. Y.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 1.—President Wilson today conferred with a dozen Democratic and Republican senators on military bills. After the conference the senators would not discuss the subject of the meeting, leaving the announcement to come from the White House. Later it was announced that the president reiterated his opposition to the impending bills to create a super war cabinet and direction of munitions, contending that they would hamper him in his conduct of the war and that they were unnecessary.

Cloth Weavers Strike.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 1.—One thousand cloth weavers here struck today for a 15 per cent wage increase and changed working conditions. About 1,500 workers are affected. The strikers and their sympathizers paraded the mill district and some disorder followed.

Settle Wage Controversy.

Washington, Feb. 1.—The department of labor announces that it has secured a settlement of the wage controversy which threatened a strike of 5,000 employes of the American Locomotive Company.

RETALIATION FOR SPANISH MEDDLING

SPANISH SHIPS REFUSED CLEARANCE BECAUSE OF INTERFERENCE WITH ARMY SUPPLIES.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Spanish interference with supplies for the American army across the frontier may meet with swift retaliation by the United States and the Entente, according to indications here. Although it is denied that sailings of Spanish ships at American ports have been held up, it is known that Spanish vessels have been refused clearance pending an adjustment of the situation.

Americans Held Up.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Five Americans are reported to have been denied permission to leave Belgium by the German authorities. An inquiry is being made. It is believed the Germans are acting in retaliatory attitude under the impression that Germans are being detained in the United States.

Strike in Munich.

London, Feb. 1.—A three days' strike has been declared in Munich, according to a Central News despatch from Amsterdam today.

Frech Captured Prisoners.

Paris, Feb. 1.—The French captured a number of prisoners and machine guns in a raid last night on the German lines in the vicinity of Nieuport, Belgium, and in the Rheims sector.

German Treatment of Prisoners.

With the American Army in France, Feb. 1.—Documents in possession of officers instruct Germans to keep all prisoners in a cage for four days without food and compelled to stand all the time. After this period only small quantities of food are to be given.

Confiscate Rumanian Vessels.

London, Feb. 1.—The revolutionary committee of the Bolsheviki has decided to confiscate all transportation facilities of Rumania. About forty steamships and several warships have been seized in Black Sea harbors.

Martial Law in Germany.

London, Feb. 1.—Martial law has been extended to Bremen and Hemelingen, according to reports here. Strikes have broken out in two more Dortmund mines. Strikers at Nuernberg, Bavaria, have resumed work after two demonstration strikes.

Italians Again Advance.

Rome, Fev. 1.—The Austrians yesterday attacked on the Asiago plateau in an attempt to drive the Italians from their newly won positions on Monte de Val Bella. Today's statement says the enemy was unable to reach the Italian line. The Italians at dawn by a sudden attack advanced their lines as far as the head of the Telago valley in this sector.

Strike Situation Unchanged.

London, Feb. 1.—Latest reports indicate that the strike situation in Berlin is unchanged. An Exchange Telegraph Copenhagen despatch says it has not been extended. An Amsterdam despatch says strikers and police clashed Thursday. One policeman was killed and dozen strikers injured. Tehre were minor disturbances in other sections and in the suburbs.

Strike Reached Climax.

Berlin, Feb. 1.—The German press generally agrees that the strike has reached its climax in Berlin and is now receding. The demonstrations, it is said, showed a lack of centralized control.

Attacked Premier Lenine.

London, Feb. 1.—An unsuccessful attempt on the life of Premier Lenine was made last night. A young man in a student's uniform fired a shot at the premier, missing him.

From Saturday's Daily.

PLAIN SPEAKING.

In his address to American farmers read before the farmers' conference at the University of Illinois the other day, President Wilson made so plain that any one could understand it why we are fighting the German empire today. He said, in part:

"We as a nation are in the presence of a great task demanding supreme sacrifice and endeavor. The object of the war is the greatest that freemen have ever undertaken. It is to prevent the life of the world being determined and the fortune of men everywhere being affected by small groups of military masters who seek their own interest and selfish dominion throughout the world of governments they unhappily for the moment control. Germany had raised evil hands against us. The rulers of Germany sought to shut off our economic life and intercourse with Europe and confine our people within the Western hemisphere, while they accomplished their purposes that would have permanently impaired every process of our national life and put America's fortunes at the mercy of the imperial government of Germany.

"It has turned out that the forces that fight for freedom—freedom all over the world as well as our own—depend upon us in extraordinary degree for sustenance and for the supply of materials by which men live and fight. When the war is ended it will be our glory that we supplied these materials abundantly through supreme effort and sacrifice."

This makes it plain to all why we are called upon to save food and fuel; not because there is any shortage so far as our normal demand is concerned, but because our allies in the fight for the world's freedom need all we can spare.

This makes it imperative for us to save. We should not have the incentive to save if merely our own depended upon the sacrifice, but as it is, the lives of the world depend upon us doing all within our power to sacrifice in order that the world's enemy may be crushed and made impotent to do further mischief.

If such a thing were possible as German victory in this war, it would mean sooner or later that we should have to face the same things which the French dan Belgians and Polish people have faced during the past three and a half years. It would mean the same eventually for our women as has happened to the women of Armenia and some of the Balkan states. It would mean the military domination of a world that is sickened to death of fighting. It would mean that we should some day become vassals of the German crown—we whose forefathers fought to free us from the vassalage of the British crown when a monarch less tyrannical and less vile was on that throne.

Mr. Wilson said further: "From farmers came the first shots at Lexington that set aflame the revolution that made America free. I hope and believe that American farmers will willingly stand by to aid this war also. Your intelligence and foresight and self-sacrifice and devotion I believe will bring to a triumphant conclusion this last and greatest war for the emancipation of men from the control of arbitrary governments and the selfishness of class legislation and control. When this is accomplished, we can look each other in the face and be glad that we are Americans and were privileged to play such a great part."

And this is the one sustaining force that makes every American willing and ready to fight for his country, to sacrifice all that need be in order to win and to help the other nations win.

It has been said that we are not a military people. And in the strict sense, we are not, but every military nation that has yet fought us has had occasion to regret that we are at least military enough to whip it.

Our troops in France are equal to those of any nation and the superior to most. We should give them the backing they need and prove that as a nation we are at least the equal of any other on earth, both in military efficiency and self sacrifice.

WILL THEY SUBMIT.

News comes from Germany that the "mailed fist" has reached out in Germany to crush the spreading industrial and political revolt of the masses. In normal times this might be speedily accomplished, but there is a question if the "mailed fist" of the German kaiser inspires the fear and respect that it formerly did.

Whenever a nation of subservient subjects goes to war, the people learn their importance and their strength. The frequent mutinies in the German army and navy indicate that the soldiers and sailors are losing their dread of their superiors, and that they are like the sleeping giant of Russia—awakened to their own strength.

There is no lack of intelligence in Germany. The only thing that has kept the people in subjection is the mistaken notion that the kaiser is God's anointed representative on earth, and that the power of the people lay in doing God's will, as exemplified in the will of the ruler.

That many Germans were freethinkers did not prevent them from looking upon the kaiser as a sort of divinity which shaped their ends, and they gave him as unqualified support as did their brothers of the church.

The socialists have always been a thorn in the flesh of the kaiser and his counsellors, but they too have been subservient when it came to voting supplies and contributing their man power.

But now Germany is on the verge of an awakening that bids fair to threaten the very foundations of the throne. If the German people can be made to see the foolishness of submitting their individual and national will to that of a small group of persons who represent the power and the might which they have robbed from the people, they will demand, not only peace, but a change in the government.

There has always been a fiction in Germany that the people ruled through the Reichstag, but that body has lesser powers than had the commonwealth and the parliament in the time of the Stuarts in England.

Autocratic rule in this world is doomed. There are few nations who still submit to the archaic notion that certain persons are born to rule, and the nations like Norway which elect their king and then render him innoxious by electing a parliament to override all his acts are becoming more and more common.

The strike has never been a popular outdoor sport in Germany for the reason that the army was always ready to suppress revolt whether industrial or political at a sign from the kaiser. Just now the main force of the army is absent, and the police seem powerless to prevent disorder—if indeed they desire to do so—for the police are also discouraged and disheartened by the long duration of the war and the hardships which they, in common with the rest of the populace, have been obliged to suffer.

The only way in which the growing unrest can be curbed in Germany is by overwhelming the strikers by military force. And this would be dangerous in the present temper of the people, who resent the military domination almost as much as the people of Belgium or Poland.

The war may come to an end through the dissatisfaction of the German masses instead of being fought out on the battlefields of the west. If the people, who are said to be without leaders in their present revolt, can only centralize their action, the war will be at an end, for the withdrawal of troops to quell domestic disturbances would mean the victory of the allies on the western front, while to retain the troops in the field would mean the overthrow of the government at home.

The German people have suffered in some ways almost as much as the other victims of the German army. They rae poorly fed poorly clothed, burdened with taxes and with no prospect of relief when the allied troops finally win, which is as inevitable as the coming of the summer.

It may be that our fight will be fought as much by the German people as by our own troops. And may the day hasten.

Another strike has been settled, this time one which threatened the locomotive building industry. The day is coming when this Bolsheviki way of settling disputes will be relegated to the dust heap.

A man in Dallas shot and killed his stepdaughter because he objected to her proposed marriage, and then killed himself. There is small loss when such a man "kicks off," but the pity is that he did not do it first.

The Bolsheviki are more dangerous to their friends than to their enemies. Roumania is now suffering from her alliance with Russia, but some day the present masters of the vodka-soddened moujiks will pay for the damage they are doing.

REGISTRANTS CONCERNED IN NEW RULING ANNOUNCED

Men of Registration Age Who Married After May 18, 1917, May Escape Selective Draft.

The following item published in the press under a New York date is of vital interest to many young men who registered on June 5, but who sought exemption on the ground of having dependents in the way of a wife and having contracted marriage after May 18, 1917:

"Unless it is established that the registrant contracted a hasty marriage for the purpose of evading conscription, a man married after May 18 stands the same under the selective service law as one married previous to that time, according to a ruling of Secretary of War Baker made public here today.

"It was in the form of a letter addressed to Justice Charles E. Hughes, chairman of the district draft appeals board of this city, which he read at a meeting of the board. This is directly opposite to the view previously taken by the board, which had ruled such marriages as not offering admissible evidence bearing on a registrant's standing."

SENATOR NELSON IS 75.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—Senator Knute Nelson of Minnesota today celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of his birth. He was heartily congratulated by his colleagues in the senate. Senator Nelson is a native of Norway and has the distinction of being the first son of that country to sit in the United States senate.

The Laredo Boys at Camp Bowie

Some Personal Notes Regarding What "Our Boys" Are Doing in Texas National Guard Camp at Fort Worth

By G. C. Arnoux, Special Correspondent for the Laredo Times.

With the Texas Troops at Camp Bowie, Jan. 31.—Company B, 141st Infantry, composed of volunteers from Laredo and other points on the border have entered a new phase of training. They have already mastered the elementary work of the soldier and are now having intensified training in grenade throwing, gas attack and defense and bayonet fighting.

Most of this week will be devoted to gas both in offense and defense. Two hours a week are devoted to the use of the gas mask and the men are being taught how to take the mask from its container which is strapped to their chests, put it on their heads and adjust the breathing apparatus in six seconds. It is necessary for the men to be able to make this preparation in six seconds in order to protect themselves against the frequent gas attacks which they will experience when they face the Germans on the battle fronts.

The bayonet fighting is being stressed by the officers and already the men are becoming proficient in this work, which, according to British officers who are instructing the Texas-Oklahoma soldiers here, is the most important single method of fighting the American troops have to learn.

Lieutenant Colonel Applin, a British officer who has seen extensive service on the western front saw the Laredo men in bayonet practice last week and remarked on the agility of the American troops as compared with the soldiers of other countries.

"They will make the finest soldiers the world has ever seen, not excepting those of France and England" he declared enthusiastically. "While they lack the discipline that comes with campaigning conditions and long periods of fighting, they have wonderful potentialities." Colonel Applin was in charge of all the machine guns used by the allies in the battle of Messina Ridge and has had twenty years experience with the King's armies in all parts of the world.

Laredo, represented in the 141st Infantry regiment with less than 100 men, has been signally honored by the selection of four non-commissioned officers from that city to be special bayonet instructors for the regiment. They are all of Company B. They are; Sgt. Hery Eistetter, Corp. Mike Barrera, Corp. Charles Woodul and Corp. Earl C. Brennan. There are only twenty-five of these instructors among the more than 3,000 men in the 141st Infantry. No other company in the regiment has as many as four non-commissioned officers in the corps of special instructors. These men are picked for their agility, leadership, ad skill with the bayonet.

A high standard of health has been reached by Company B and at the present time none of the Laredo men are on the sick list or in the hospital and not a case of mumps is reported in the entire company. The recent cold snaps have not sent any of the company to the hospital although some of the Laredo men are without helmets and wristlets and other of those little togs that make walking post at 2 a. m. pleasant occupantion. The men are in need of helmets, they say. All have been furnished with sweaters by the Girls National Honor Guard.

It happened that not a single Laredo man was among the 355 men picked to be sent to eastern points to fill out other divisions that will leave soon for France. The men left Wednesday for their various destinations. Oscar Burbank has been transferred from Company B to Headquarters Company of the 141st Infantry.

Four men of Company B will be selected to be sent to Fort Hancock, Ga., for special training. The names have not been announced but none of the Laredo men are in the party, it is said.

First Sergeant Adam Bold returned Wednesday from a ten-day furlough at Caldwell, Texas.

Corp, John Gray is expecting to leave for a ten-days furlough soon. He expects to go to Laredo to see relatives.

Eleven men from Company B have been transferred to Headquarters company of the same regiment, among them being Edward Brewster of Laredo who has been assigned to the intelligence department.

Corp. James Fecknagle has been transferred to the 41st Engineers stationed at Washington and has been ordered there. He left Tuesday night for that city.

Sgt. George D. Hodges began his new duties as line sergeant this week by mounting guard. The night happened to be a pleasant one and his initiation into his new duties was not attended by frozen ears and feet, so common during the last few weeks here.

Sgt. H. C. Burr acted as first sergeant of the company in the absence of First Sergeant Adam Bold who was on furlough this week. Sergeant Burr is displaying a suspiciously swollen eye but it happened to have been acquired when a brick which some of the men were tossing about in the orderly's tent, slipped from a hand and struck the Sergeant just above the left eye.

Alphonso Finch, "everybody's pal" and the good fellow of the company, is as "grouchy" as ever according to the Laredo boys.

First Lieut. Alden Muller of Company B, has been promoted to the rank of captain and is now in command of Company K, of the same regiment.

Several promotions are expected among the list of non-coms. during the coming week and as a result many of the privates will have an opportunity to wear stripes. The Laredo boys are hoping for promotions and they have settled down to the task of earning the expected promotions.

Regimental maneuvers were held last week by the 141st Infantry before the officers of the organization. The men also went through battalion movements and executed the movements of the smaller units.

There is school for the non-commissioned officers nearly every night in various subjects, among them being discipline, military courtesy, and the use of the various weapons. The wearers of the stripes are being given the finer points in bayonet fighting and the handling of the automatic rifles and other arms and they in turn are teaching the privates the same lessons.

FUNERAL JAMES J. HAYNES LARGE AND SORROWFUL ONE

Cortege Moved From Home to Episcopal Church Where Services Held, and Thence to City Cemetery.

The funeral of the late James J. Haynes, who died at his home in this city on Thursday afternoon from pneumonia, took place from the home, 1704—Matamoros street, to the Episcopal church yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock and was one of the largest and most sorrowful funeral processions witnessed in this city in many years past.

At the home the casket rested in a veritable bower of beautiful floral designs, these mcte attestations of the high esteem in which the deceased was held by his legion of friends being banked on all sides of the casket, and some having been gently placed on top it. During the day many of the people of Laredo, including old and feeble Mexican men and women who had known "Don Santiago" from the time of his arrival in Laredo in 1881 and had learned to hold him in kindliest esteem, called at the house of sorrow to gaze for the last time on the cold and stilled features of him who lay there in eternal sleep and drop a farewell tear at his bier.

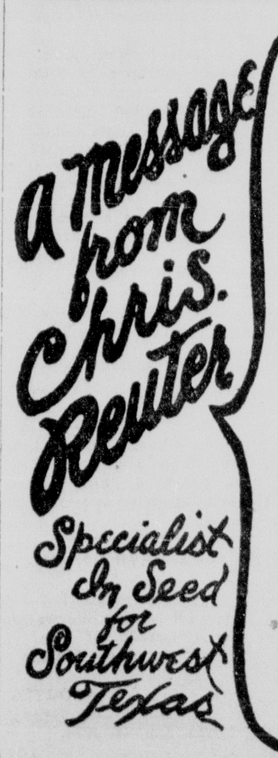
From the home the funeral procession preceded to the Episcopal church, where solemn services were conducted by Rev. Charles W. Cook with the full funeral rites of that church and assisted by the choir. At the grave services were also conducted by Rev. Cook. The Elks, of which organization the deceased was one of the most esteemed members, attended the funeral, but they did not participate in the funeral services with their ritualistic ceremonies. Interment was made in the burial plot of the Elks Lodge, where Mother Earth now holds the remains of a man who is missed by all who knew him. May be rest in peace.

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JOHN COLMAN,
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ENEMY ALIENS THIS COUNTY MUST REGISTER NEXT WEEK

REGISTRATION WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT AT POLICE STATION.

City Marshal M. Brennan Will Carry Out Work in Accordance With Instructions of Federal Authorities.

City Marshal Mike Brennan, as chief of police, and who some time ago was appointed by the federal authorities as registration officer in this immediate section, announces that he has completed plans for the registration of enemy aliens, Monday, February 4, to Saturday, February 9, inclusive, at his office at the police station.

All Germans, Austrians and Hungarians who have not completed their naturalization as American citidens are required to register. Finger prints of the German registrants will be taken. The regulations regarding Austrians and Hungarians are less stringent than those affecting Germans.

Persons required to register should understand that in so doing they are giving proof of their peaceful dispositions and of their intention to conform to the laws of the United States.

Every registrant should read carefully the form of registration affidavit handed to him and ask the registration officer for explanation on all points not clear to him before attempting to fill out the blanks. Registration officers are instructed to give registrants all possible aid in the way of explanation and advice.

Each registrant is required to furnish four unmounted photographs of himself not larger than 3 by 3 inches in size, on thin paper, with light background. All four photographs should be signed by the registrant across the face of the photographs, so as not to obscure the features, if the applicant is able to write.

Three blank forms of registration affidavit must be completely filled out by the registrant or his representative (with the exception of the blanks indicated to be filled out by the registration officer and the description of the registrant and the placing of finger prints on the blank) and must be produced by the registrant personally to the registration officer and be signed and sworn to by the registrant in the presence of and before the registration officer, who will fill in the description of the registrant and supervise the fixing of the finger prints and the attaching of the photographs. If the registrant cannot write he must make his mark in the signature space and affix his left thumb print in the space provided opposite the signature space.

The finger printing is a method of identification and follows the practice observed in the military and naval circles of the United States.

The registrant is hereby informed that he must again present himself before the registration officer who took his oath after ten days but before fifteen days from the last day fixed for registration in his registration district to obtain a registration card, upon which he must sign his name, or make his mark, and place his left thumb print in the presence of the registration officer.

IS CITY LICENSING AGENT AND READY FOR BUSINESS

City Treasurer J. A. Ortiz Holds Similar Appointment in City as J. A. Rodriguez in County.

City Treasurer J. A. Ortiz has been appointed explosives license-agent for the city of Laredo by the director of the bureau of mines of the department of the interior. This is an appointment similar to that of County Clerk J. A. Rodriguez who has been named explosives licensing agent for Webb county.

Persons of the city of Laredo having explosives of any kind to purchase or sell must secure the necessary permit from Mr. Ortiz, who can be found at his office, No. 806 Convent Avenue.

SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt
Editor Phone 70

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Saturday.

The Red Cross Knitting Circle will meet with Mrs. W. W. MacGregor in the afternoon.

Ladies' Night at the 37th Infantry Club.

There will be a meeting of the Red Cross instructors party in afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. G. Earnest, chairman, at 3:30 o'clock.

The Woman's Club Thrift Stamp party in the afternoon at the same hour and place.

Sunday.

The Epworth League of the Methodist Church will meet at the church at 6:30 in the evening.

The Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian Church will hold its regular weekly meeting at the church at 6:45 in the evening.

The B. Y. P. U. Senior and Junior will hold their regular weekly meeting at the Creath Memorial Baptist Church, at 6:45 in the evening.

The Christian Endeavor of the Christian Church will meet at the church at 7:00 in the evening.

Monday.

Red Cross Surgical Room will be open at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon with Mrs. W. D. Butler as instructor.

The Heights Civic Club will meet at the schoolhouse at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Sunbeam Band of the Baptist church will hold their regular meeting at the church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

This May Interest You.

The Times desires all social items of interest and cordially invites its readers to supply such news to the society editor. Send or phone all items about weddings, parties, visitors, dinners, receptions, bazaars, children's parties, etc. If you are leaving town or returning, or have visitors arriving or departing. The Times will be glad to know it. While names will not be used all written communications must be signed. This is imperative to prevent imposition. Phone all society communications to the Society Editor of The Times at No. 70 between 7 and 8 o'clock in the morning and 5 and 8:30 in the evening.

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A willing kindness,
A ready trust,
A bit of blindness
To moth and rust.

A balm of laughter
For anger's heat;
A brave heart after
A sore defeat.

A glad hope, cleaving
Through each new day;
A patience leaving
No stony way.

A warm faith, summing
All life worth while—
Yet, at death's coming,
A fearless smile.

—Charlotte Becker.

General Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Ilfeld have returned from San Antonio. Their son is at Camp Travis, in the quartermaster's department.

Dr. M. P. Cullinan is in Fort Worth and will be there for a week.

Mr. M. Spelicy has returned to Houston after a short stay in the city.

Mrs. T. C. Baker of San Antonio is visiting Mrs. N. C. Windrow.

Mrs. J. H. Tallman, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. T. R. Cole, who has been very ill at the home of Mrs. W. C. Windrow, returned to her home in Cotulla yesterday.

Mr. Ed. Cotulla arrives yesterday from San Antonio to spend a few days with his family.

Miss Pauline Miller came in from San Ignacio to spend the week-end with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Ortiz and little son, Master Joe have arrived home after an absence of several months, most of which time they spent in California.

Club Notes.

The newly organized Camp Fire Girls of the Blue Birds will be known as the "Swastikas." Mrs. W. D. Butler will be the guardian. There will be a meeting every Friday at her home. There are ten members, and five were present yesterday afternoon—Agnes Bennet, Madonna Sorrell, Belva Bergman, Beatrice Barlow and Marguerite Schyler.

Camp Fire Girls.

The Sansugi Camp Fire Girls met yesterday afternoon with Miss Katherine Crutchfield. The girls decided to deny themselves of something for the Toacco Fund. Chocolate and cake were served to: Misses Elsie Werner, Eva Scratchley, Irene Leyendecker, Laura Taylor, Willie Belle Brennan and the hostess.

Boy Scout News.

A special meeting of Troop One, Boy Scouts in Laredo was held at headquarters this morning at nine o'clock. The object of the meeting was to begin work on a gymnasium in the rear of headquarters. Gymnasium apparatus is being secured by the troops, and the boys are expecting a high time in their "gym" as soon as it is completed.

Red Cross Notes.

This has been a banner week at the Red Cross Surgical Room. The attendance has been splendid, ladies from the various church societies have joined in helping and a wonderful amount of work has been accomplished. The Red Cross workers on the Heights, under the direction of Mrs. M. P. Cullinan, have been activity engaged in doing work in their own homes. The convent has also been leading assistance. The Parish Guild of Christ Church, the Tuesday Music and Literary Club, the Honor Guard, the Methodist Missionary Society, in fact every church society and even the social clubs have all combined towards making an extraordinary effort to rush surgical supplies to be sent overseas to meet the expected spring offensive in France. Those present at the Wednesday meeting were: Mesdames Nye, Hebbron, Scovill, Johnston, Vidales, Puster, Weber, McKinney, Garlick, Little, Myer, Dew, Cluck, McComb, Mally, Earnest, Kehl, Anderson, Arkles, Austin, F. M. Ramsay, Arthur, MacGregor, Chas. Ramsay, Kilsby, Woodman, Sory, Sharkey, Deeny and Hamlin.

PERSONALS

George Bawden, a member of the firm of A. Jacob & Co. of Detroit, Mich., wholesale fruit and commission merchants, is stopping at the Hamilton for a few days. Mr. Bawden is a mefber of the Western Fruit Jobbers Association and attended the recent convention at Houston. He is looking over the ground in advance of the coming onion crop.

HAMILTON:—F. B. Salazar, New Orleans; Mr. and Mrs. Larralde, Monterey; Ana R. de G. de Cosio, Mexico City; E. Z. Daroux, El Paso; G. W. Young, Neenah, Wis.; J. C. Hume, San Antonio; Mrs. Stephens, Tampico; A. B. Sanders, A. Rosas Valle, San Antonio; L. Rubio, W. W. Loize, San Francisco, Cal.

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COLD WEATHER CONTINNUES AND MERCURY REMAINS LOW

Thermometer Has Been Registering Close to the Freezing Point Past Two Days, But Rain May Follow.

The mercury hovered about the freezing point throughout yesterday afternoon, last night and this morning, but according to the weather report given out by the Fort McIntosh observatory, the minimum was 36 degrees, which is four degrees above freezing. The intense and penetrating cold was caused by the dampness following the light misty rain which prevailed early yesterday morning.

The warmest weather experienced here yesterday forenoon was when the mercury climbed up to 42 degrees, but it did not stay there long, for most of the afternoon it registered 38 degrees. Last night it dropped slightly and by daybreak this morning the cold was of the penetrating kind. The conditions at this time are favorable for rain, but there have been other occasions when the indications were just as propitious and the precious moisture failed to materialize.

LETTER COMES FROM CHILE FROM FORMER LAREDO FOLKS

Dr. and Mrs. Cook Are Now Located in Portorillas, Chile, Where Dr. Cook is With Mining Company.

The Times is in receipt of a latter from Mrs. O. J. Cook, who is with her husband, Dr. Cook, in Chile, in which she writes under date of Portorillas, Chile, December 27, 1917, as follows:

"Dr. Cook has been transferred to this camp, and it is away up in the Andes mountains. It is much prettier here than at Chuarri, where we were at first, but is much colder in winter, they say. The winter begins about June 1. Want to ask you to please send The Times to us here. We get ever so much pleasure out of it in being able to keep up with our Laredo friends."

The new address of Dr. and Mrs. Cook is now "Care Andes Copper Co., Portorillas, Chile, via Autofagasta." Dr. Cook is physician and surgeon for a big American mining concern in that part of Chile.